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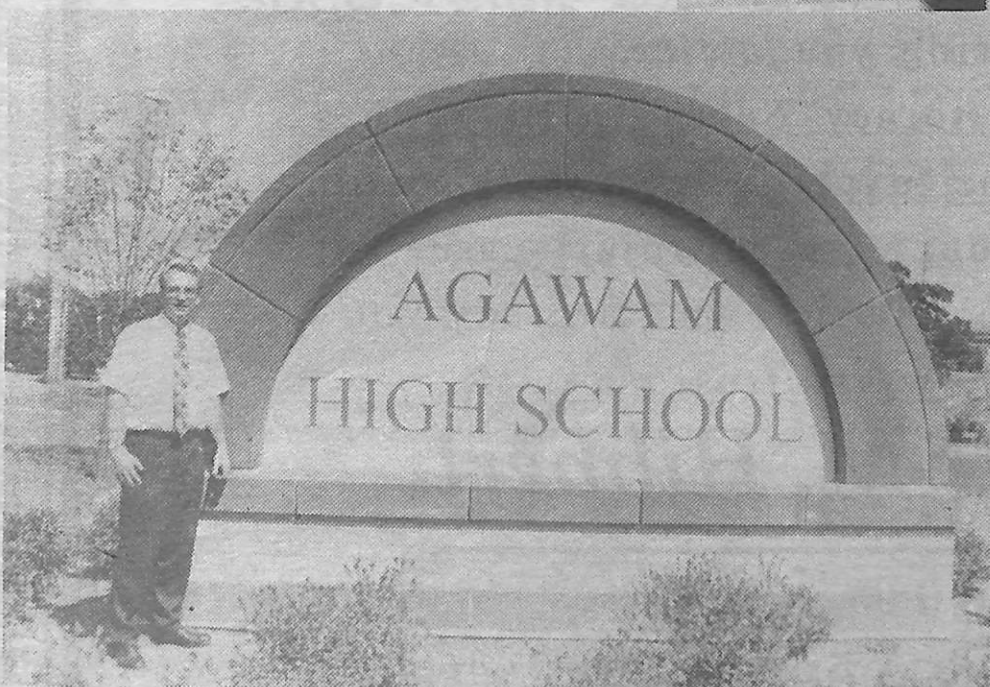
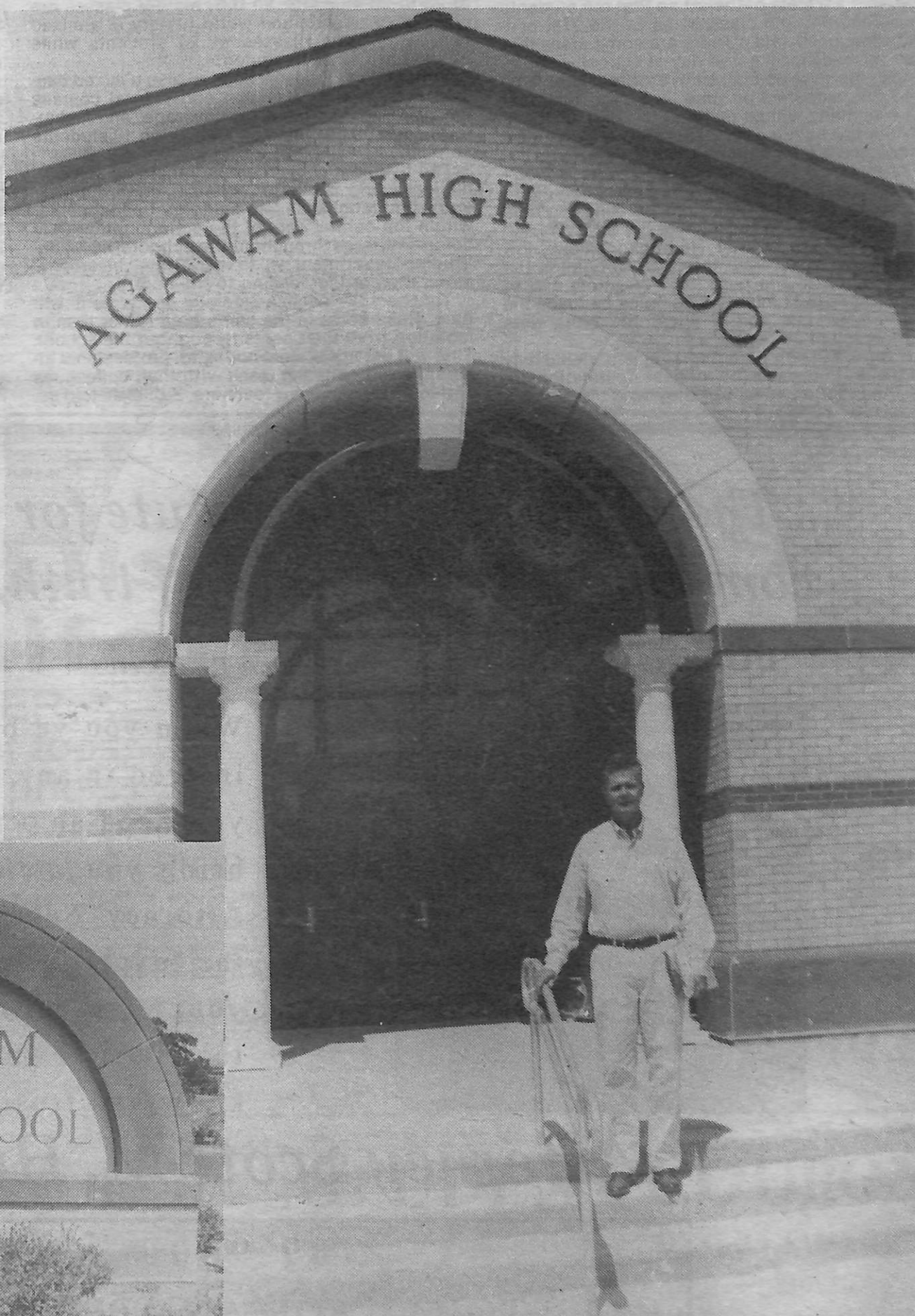
## A New Look For A New School Year...

*It's That Time Of Year Once Again...*

### *Our Annual Back-To-School Edition!!!*

*See our 20-page insert for all the news you need to know to start the 1998-1999 school year, including:*

- *Bus schedules.*
- *Fall athletic schedules.*
- *Policies regarding school attendance, discipline, and reduced-price lunches.*
- *Messages from the Superintendent of Schools and the AHS Principal.*



MAYOR CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON (left photo) and Agawam High School Principal Joseph Zabielski (right photo) are proud of the renovations and additions that have taken place at the high school, including a new sign facing Mill Street and a new arched, pillared main entrance. (See related story on Page 2.) Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



*Ready For The First Day Of Another Year...*

## New Additions At Agawam High School Will Enhance The Educational Process

by Kathy Cassanelli  
News Editor

A new sign facing Mill Street. New paving in the student parking lot. A new arched, pillared main entrance. And that's just the beginning of what's new on the outside at Agawam High School this year.

Inside, the 18-classroom addition is complete; the cafeteria addition will eliminate the need for three lunch servings; and the administrative office addition gives the school an attractive new entrance. All the furniture in the additions is new. The school has been made handicap-accessible and all the existing classrooms, lockers, and corridors have been newly painted.

There will be nine new staff members. Five are replacing retired teachers; the remaining four are filling new positions in the science, math, social studies, and special education departments.

School Superintendent Frank Ameruso is extremely pleased with both the aesthetics of the building and the functionality of the design in terms of enhancing the education process.

"We now will have wings for our academic areas that are state-of-the-art so that our students will be entering the classrooms of the 21st century," Ameruso said. "There are some areas that won't be ready for the first day of school — for instance, the new administrative offices won't be wired for computers on time — but for the most part everything will be ready at the high school."

While the building may look like a whole new school, some things haven't changed.

For instance, Principal Joseph Zabielski won't be buying any excuses for students being late to class by claiming the four minutes passing time between classes isn't enough to get from one end of the building to another. He already knows how long it takes to get from the farthest point in the new addition to the gym (3.15 minutes) and to music rooms (3.37 minutes) because he made the trips himself last spring while the halls were typically full of students.

"If the kids learn time management skills, they can make it between the longest destinations in less than four minutes, but they won't be able to

stop and talk to their friends," Zabielski said.

Besides providing critically needed classroom space, the L-shaped classroom addition links the old science wing to the corridor that formerly housed a mix of English, math, and world language classes to create a rectangular core area for academic classes, according to Zabielski.

### A Reduction In Class Size...

The extra classroom space is expected to allow for the reduction in class size that will keep the numbers under 25 students per class in a significant percentage of classes. But, school officials can't predict the number of new students who will register in the final days before school begins, Zabielski said.

Two weeks before the start of school, the schedule for the 1,280 students already enrolled in classes showed class sizes running under 25 students for grade nine English classes, with one exception; geography classes that had been at 29 to 30 students last year are showing enrollments of 23 to 26 students; all U.S. history classes are under 25 students; and world history is a mixed bag, with some classes at 26 students while others have 17 or 18 students.

Foreign language classes are also a mixed bag, with French and Spanish I and II level courses having 28 to 30 students on average, and higher-level courses like Spanish V showing 10 students enrolled.

The five core subject areas, including science, business and computer science, math, English, and world languages, are being grouped together within the central core of the school, rather than being scattered throughout the school. The Social Studies Department will take over the classrooms along the corridor leading to the library.

Teachers in each academic department will have classrooms in the same area rather than in isolation from their peers throughout the school. This will provide a more collegial, professional atmosphere for sharing ideas with their colleagues and for mentoring new teachers, Zabielski told us.

### "... More Of A Team Approach ..."

"The reorganized departments will have more of a team approach," Zabielski said. "New teachers will have a mentoring group around to help and support them."

At the entrance to the addition from the old science wing, three new science classrooms have been added to expand the Science Department. The Business and Computer Science Departments occupy the next six classrooms, followed by eight rooms for the Math Department. Along the math corridor, art students have painted the first of several planned floor-to-ceiling murals sponsored by the student government to showcase the work of artistically talented students.

All classrooms in the addition have been equipped with new, color-coordinated furniture for the students and the teachers. All of the furniture and equipment were chosen by the academic coordinators in each department, according to Zabielski.

The Math Department area links the addition to the English Department corridor to complete the core rectangle of the school. World language classes are grouped at the far end of the hallway where town Building Maintenance workers installed the plumbing and hardware fixtures to make the boys' and girls' bathrooms handicap-accessible.

With so much new at the school, Zabielski is looking forward to having the accreditation team from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges evaluate the school in October. Due to the construction and renovations ongoing during the last two years, the High School was granted an extension on its evaluation until the work was complete.

"The accreditation team is going to see a higher level of professionalism in the reorganization of our academic departments, lower class sizes, and state-of-the-art educational technology, especially in our computer rooms," Zabielski predicted.

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## Letters To The Editor

### There Is A Breakdown In P.D.'s Chain Of Command

#### To The Editor:

I am writing this letter because I am outraged by the article I read in the paper on Sunday, August 16th.

I have been a Feeding Hills resident for 27 years, and have raised three children here. I have always known that it is not who you are in Agawam, but who you know.

If Chief Campbell wants to do a favor for one of his friends, we really can't prevent that. But he should stand up and answer for his own decision. Instead, he's passing the buck and blaming his officers.

I don't understand how he can claim he's cleaning up the department on one hand, while on the other, he's making his men take the blame and look incompetent so he can cover up for his friend.

If the owner of Oak Ridge deserves a break, we all deserve a break from these drunk drivers who are killing our children, fathers, and sisters. The problem I see here is, "the rookie" as Campbell calls him, didn't know **who** he was arresting until he got a call from Campbell.

I, for one, commend the police officers for doing their job and trying to keep our town safe.

Thank you, Officers Grasso and Light for being fair and honest in protecting our town.

How do you spell "breakdown in chain of command"? CAMPBELL!!

**Toni Berte**  
Feeding Hills

### Resident Says Thanks For Return Of Handicap Placard

#### To The Editor:

By accident, my mother's handicap placard which allows her to park in handicap spaces was lost on Springfield Street recently.

I would like to thank the person that found the placard on the street and put it in the mailbox.

I would also like to thank the Agawam/Feeding Hills Post Office for delivering the placard back to our house, even though there was no address on it.

**Very truly yours,**  
**James J. Tallon**  
Feeding Hills

### Former Town Councilor Again Questions Issue Of Consultant

#### To The Editor:

Why have all the councilors since Mayor Johnson's election as mayor of Agawam allowed him to go unchecked since his election nine years ago?

Councilors have been charged many times by me, former Councilor Valentine R. Moreno, and now by a certified petition to the council, to see if there has been a misuse of funds by the Johnson administration.

For the past eight years Mayor Johnson has been paying a political supporter a check each month. Who certified payment of these checks? The city treasurer can't pay those checks. The "Procurement Act" stipulates that the council must supply funds to spend and what it wants these funds for.

If not, the Mayor is subject to a \$1,000.00 fine and one year in jail, or both. Johnson has given checks to a consultant from the very first day he was elected, to this very day.

All town contracts must be filed within five days with the City Clerk's Office or be fined a sum for each infraction of that law. But these were never filed until we, the people, took some action, but the Mayor has ignored the law.

**JACK DEVINE needs at least 48 hours notice to cover your events. Call Jack at 789-0053. Thanks.**

The Mayor has paid this so-called consultant a check for each month for the past nine budget years. And now, just recently, the Mayor has created, by "executive order," a three year contract with this consultant without benefit of a legal vote of the council.

The councilors all know this yet not one lifted one finger to stop this. The total cash paid to this consultant is in the \$100,000 area.

This has been going on without the councilors lifting a finger. The record shows this. I, and now the people, by petition, have put it on record to stop this misuse of funds by the Mayor.

We, the people, ask that the councilors examine the law and find the truth.

**Sincerely,**  
**Valentine R. Moreno**  
15 Florida Drive, Agawam

### Malone Is The Right Choice For State's Republicans

#### To The Editor:

#### To The Republicans Of Agawam:

It goes without saying that, as loyal Republicans, we have a grave responsibility in the September 15th Republican Gubernatorial Primary to select not simply the candidate who possesses the clearest vision for the Commonwealth, but who has cast that vision according to the principles enshrined in our party's platform. It is for that reason that I am honored to give State Treasurer Joseph Malone my unqualified endorsement!

Like most of you, I was an ardent supporter of Acting Governor A. Paul Cellucci at the time of former Governor William Weld's resignation. In the weeks prior to the April 1998 State Republican Convention, however, I began to feel dismayed by a number of Cellucci's actions in his role as the Commonwealth's chief executive, most notably, his appointment of Democrats to a variety of state offices.

It became increasingly clear to me that what we had on our hands was a classic case of the proverbial "wolf in sheep's clothing," an acting governor who did precious little more than pay lip service to the ideas and standards of the party whose leader, ex officio, he is. As one who has been a Republican his entire adult life, my conscience forbade me to support him further and, as a delegate to the April convention, I gave my vote enthusiastically to Treasurer Malone.

Joe Malone's entire person is a microcosm of all those qualities and ideals we, as Republicans, hold dear. He is a man characterized by a singular devotion to his family, his heritage, and his work as an elected servant of the citizens of the Commonwealth.

He has a keen mind and an affable disposition, a far cry from the snobbery and elitism typical of the Acting Governor. His vision for Massachusetts is all-embracing, carrying with it none of the negative attitudes which, so often, have enticed Boston into viewing the western part of the state as a prodigal child.

His eyes are firmly fixed on the future, but never at the expense of our dearest traditions, for he realizes deeply the truth of the saying, "A man who forgets his past is doomed to repeat it."

In closing, therefore, I respectfully request that, after careful consideration, all the Republicans of Agawam put the weight of their support behind Treasurer Joseph Malone at next month's Republican Primary. Why? There is, ultimately, only one reason. It's the RIGHT thing to do for Massachusetts!

**Sincerely yours,**  
**Joseph F. Langone**  
Former Agawam City Councilor  
Agawam

## Regular Council Meeting Agenda For Tuesday, Sept. 8th

1. Citizen's Speak Time
2. Roll Call
3. Moment of Silence and the Pledge of Allegiance
4. Minutes - Regular Council Meeting of 8/3/98
5. Declaration from Council President
6. Presentations of Petitions, Memorials & Remonstrances
  - (a) Resolutions
    1. TR-98-28-A Resolution Authorizing the Posting of the Warrant for the State Primary Election of September 15, 1998 and the State Election of November 3, 1998 (Mayor).
7. Report of Council Committees
  - None.
8. Elections
  - None.
9. Public Hearings
  - (a)
    1. PH-98-4-(TO-98-33)-Application-Gas Storage Permit-Berkshire Power Company, LLC, 31 Moylan Lane, Agawam, MA - Request for 500,000 gallons aboveground No. 2 fuel oil (Conduct Public Hearing).
    2. PH-98-5-(TR-98-27)-A Resolution Adopting a Residential Factor of .000000 (To Be Determined) Pursuant to Mass. General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 56 (Conduct Public Hearing)(Mayor).
10. Old Business
  - (a)
    1. TOR-98-5-An Ordinance to Amend Art. II of Chapter 114 of the Code of the Town of Agawam Entitled Second Hand Motor Vehicles and to Delete Regulation No. 1 of the Rules and Regulations of the Agawam Town Council (Submitted by the Agawam Town Council Rules Committee)(Tabled on 8/3/98 and ref. to Ordin. Comm.; Rules & Reg. Comm. & Licensing Comm.)(2nd Reading).
    2. TOR-98-6-An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 61 of the Code of the Town of Agawam to Expand the Veterans Council from Five Members to Seven Members (1st Reading).
    3. TOR-98-7-An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 49 Entitled "Personnel" of the Code of the Town of Agawam (Mayor)(Ref. to Ordin. Comm. on 8/3/98)(1st Reading).
    4. TO-98-32-Voucher List (\$4,223).

#### LEGAL NOTICE

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#### TOWN OF AGAWAM PUBLIC HEARING

You are hereby notified that a public hearing will be held at the Agawam Middle School, 68 Main St., in the Town of Agawam, Massachusetts, at 7:00 o'clock p.m., on Tuesday, September 8, 1998 upon petition of Western Mass. Electric Company dated July 14, 1998 for permission to: install third feeder at Bowles Park and install new underground three phase primary and new hex-hole in the ways or parts of ways designated in said petition, along which designated route of line you are an owner of real estate as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation.

Dated this 7th day of August, 1998.  
Information regarding this petition may be obtained from Western Mass. Electric Company in Springfield, Tel. No. 785-5871.  
Petition No.: DRG No. 1356.

Street: General Abrams Drive & Bowles Park  
Ursula Retzler  
Clerk of the Council

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## Showing Their Support For Cellucci And Swift



JANE SWIFT, candidate for lieutenant governor, and Acting Governor A. Paul Cellucci speak with Mayor Christopher Johnson prior to Sheriff Michael Ashe's annual picnic at Riverside Park last week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AGAWAM SUPPORTERS of the Cellucci/Swift campaign, including Mayor Christopher Johnson and Joann McGeoghan, pose with the candidates on Main Street last week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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#### TOWN OF AGAWAM BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing at the Agawam Middle School Cafeteria, 68 Main St., Agawam, MA on THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1998 at 6:30 P.M., for all parties interested in the appeal of MICHAEL A. GASTEYER, who is seeking relief (Variance) from Section 180-34, Paragraph B of the Zoning Ordinances, which would allow for the construction of a single family residence with less than the required rear yard at the premises identified as: 23-25 KANAWHA AVENUE.

Doreen Prouty  
Acting Chairperson

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## A "Commendable" Rating From School Committee...

# Superintendent Ameruoso's Contract Extended For Another Three Years

by Kathy Cassanelli  
News Editor

After two years in the top leadership position at the School Department, Superintendent of Schools Frank Ameruoso is doing a commendable job, according to the School Committee.

On Thursday evening, August 20th, the committee met in a special session to discuss the results of its appraisal of Ameruoso's performance in the second year of his three-year contract and voted unanimously to extend his contract for another three years. Contract extensions were also approved for Deputy Superintendent Donald Charest and Assistant Superintendent for Educational Services Mary Czajkowski.

Overall, the committee judged Ameruoso's performance in his second year at the helm of the public schools as slightly better than his first year, upping his average approval rating by .26 points. But, several members cited communication with the committee as the area they would like to see improved.

Ameruoso likened his relationship with the committee to a marriage that needs to be constantly worked on and fine-tuned each year. Ameruoso said he will have no problem addressing two areas of concern to the committee members: improving communication and spending more time meeting with parents.

"I'm very pleased the committee has extended my contract for an additional three years when my contract expires at the end of the school year," Ameruoso said. "It's nice to have people acknowledge your performance on the job, and it sends a message to me that I can focus on what I'm doing rather than on playing defense."

The greatest variations from their scores last year were entered by committee members Louis Massoia, Jr. and Rosemary Sandlin, with an average score reflecting a change in their evaluations of plus 2.15 and minus 2.27 points, respectively.

#### A More Active Role...

Acknowledging that her assessment of the superintendent had taken a nosedive this year, Mrs. Sandlin said she believed the superintendent should take a more active role as the educational leader by providing more educational spotlights in the newspapers and bringing forward more tiles from the mosaic of his vision for the school department.

"I think he's doing a satisfactory job. I did give him the highest rating, 9, in the category of delegating authority. He delegates everything," Mrs. Sandlin said. "I guess you could say the honeymoon is over, and I want to see more educational ideas coming from the guy we're paying \$80,000-plus a year."

But, the other six board members did not agree with that assessment and rated Ameruoso's job

performance as commendable.

Except for lapses in keeping the committee fully informed on some issues, Massoia had only praise for the superintendent's record to date.

"He's involved with the budget and he fought for more money for the schools," Massoia said. "He visits the schools two to three days a week, talking with teachers and students, and sitting in on classes. He's very knowledgeable in curriculum, and he was instrumental in getting Mary Czajkowski as our curriculum coordinator."

Massoia praised the superintendent for quickly finding a solution to the problem of overcrowded first grade classes at Granger School. "He took the bull by the horns, and I like the way he does things," Massoia said.

Another committee member whose rating of the superintendent increased dramatically over last year, Susan Pettazzoni has noticed an improvement in the area of communication with the committee, noting that phone calls are immediately returned by the superintendent.

"I think Dr. Ameruoso has been very responsive in understanding the needs of parents, teachers, and students," Mrs. Pettazzoni said.

Committee member Roberta Doering said her scores for the superintendent dropped slightly from last year because a lack of communication from the Central Office sometimes leaves board members unable to address concerns raised by parents in telephone calls.

"I told Dr. Ameruoso he could make more of an effort to apprise us than he has in the past," Mrs. Doering said. "Of course, he has only been here for two years and not knowing the town as well as we do, he may not be aware of what matters are likely to become issues with the parents. Overall, he's made wonderful progress in our School Department. The fact that we renewed his contract says a lot."

Ameruoso said knowing what the committee expects has put him in a better position to make the judgement calls on when sensitive issues need to be brought to the committee's attention.

#### Rated On 15 Categories...

Using a scale of 1-9, committee members rated Ameruoso on 15 categories covering general administrative ability, educational leadership, and other characteristics such as professional competence, enthusiasm and initiative, and maintaining satisfactory relationships with students, staff, and the Central Office.

School Committee Chairman (Mayor) Christopher C. Johnson compiled the results of the appraisal on a spreadsheet, and displayed the individual scores of the committee members as well as an average score.

With no scores in the less than satisfactory

range (1-3), Ameruoso achieved an overall score of 7.26 (up from last year's average of 7.00), which is in the commendable range. Scores of 4-6 are considered satisfactory, and scores of 7-9 are considered commendable.

On average, Ameruoso received his highest score (8.60) from committee member Louis Massoia and his lowest score (5.00), the midpoint in the satisfactory range, from committee member Rosemary Sandlin. The average scores from the remaining committee members were 8.07, Linda Galarneau; 7.80, Susan Pettazzoni; 7.27, Johnson; 7.13, Teresa Kozloski; and 6.93, Roberta Doering.

Johnson said he gave Ameruoso nearly a half-point higher overall this year because he is pleased with the progress being made in moving the schools forward academically.

"I think Dr. Ameruoso is doing an excellent job as superintendent," Johnson said. "There are some areas that need to be improved, but overall our educational progress is in large part due to his leadership."

School Committee Vice-Chairwoman Linda Galarneau also rated the superintendent slightly higher this year (up a third of a point), citing his leadership in filling key positions within the School Department.

"I feel he's been a part of the school system moving forward by putting people who are a great asset to the system in key positions," Mrs. Galarneau said. "I think it's to his credit that he has had the foresight to see into the needs of the schools now and in the future, and he's making sure people are continually checking on the improvements to the system. In general, I'm pleased with his performance in the job."

While Ameruoso gained nearly a half-point from Johnson, his score from Mrs. Kozloski slipped by .40 points for the most part because she believes the superintendent needs to develop his problem-solving skills rather than over-delegate his responsibilities to subordinates.

"There were several important problems that I felt Dr. Ameruoso should have taken the initiative on rather than delegating responsibility to the principals," Mrs. Kozloski said. "But, I think he's a highly capable person. He's very professional and appears to have a lot of enthusiasm, but there are areas I'm particularly concerned with, like an honors program at the High School, and I hope he'll follow through with that."

Ameruoso also lost points with Mrs. Kozloski over the quality of some of the staff development seminars and workshops, and for failing to actively pursue a relationship directly with parents and students by calling only one joint school council meeting at the beginning of the last school year, Mrs. Kozloski said.

#### LEGAL NOTICE

#### AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL AGAWAM, MA

The Agawam Town Council will hold a Public Hearing on Sept. 8, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. at the Agawam Middle School, 68 Main Street, Agawam, MA, on the application of Berkshire Power Company for a license to keep, store for personal use/or resale of petroleum products in under-

ground tanks or above ground not to exceed 500,000 gallons at 31 Moylan Street in the Town of Agawam, MA.

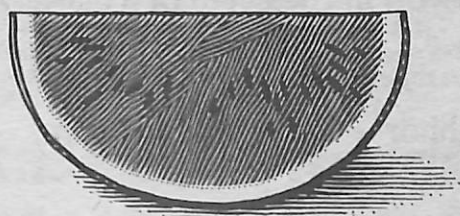
Richard M. Theroux, Town Clerk

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**Veterans' Corner...****Information On Health Screening Fairs**

by Ruth C. Bitzas  
Veterans' Agent  
786-0400, Ext. 236/237

The Veterans' Affairs Medical Center and Clinics of Northampton, a member of the New England Healthcare System, is planning a number of Health Screening Fairs for veterans.

The benefit of attending one of the Health Fairs is twofold. First, the free services include Pulmonary Screening, Health Services Monitoring, Social Services, Weight Control, Stress Management, Women's Health Programs, Benefits of Exercise and Smoking Cessation, Blood Pressure Screening, and Cholesterol Checks.

The second benefit is that you will be able to take care of your enrollment into the new VA Healthcare System at the same time. Most veterans are aware that any veteran who hasn't used one of the VA medical facilities in the past two years is required to enroll before October 1, 1998. Assistance will be available to complete the needed forms, and your name will be included on the VA computer and you will soon after receive your new VA medical card.

All veterans who have served in active military duty are invited. Please bring along a copy of your discharge, DD 214 (verification of active military service), insurance information, dependent's Social Security number, and prior year financial information to register for services.

DATE: SEPTEMBER 18TH THROUGH OCTOBER 4TH AT THE EASTERN STATES EXPOSITION DAILY FROM 10:00 A.M. - 10:00 P.M.

HONOR ROLL: The following list are WWII veterans whose last name begins with the letter "M" and whose military service is credited to the Town of Agawam. If you know of any other names

that should be included, please contact our office.

We will need verification of residence in Agawam at time of entry and wartime service. Call Veterans' Services, Town Hall, 786-0400, ext. 236/237.

**WWII HONOR ROLL - "M"**

Charles F. Mack, Robert A. MacLenna, Kenneth E. MacPhail, William I. Madden, Eugene J. Magiera, Julian Magiera\*, Wesson Maillard, Frank A. Maiolo, Larry Maiolo, Lloyd W. Major, Wallace E. Malley, Donald V. Manchester, Harold E. Manchester\*, Albert J. Mandrioli, Bruno Manuel, Francis E. Marcotte, Joseph N. Marieb, Bradford R. Martin, Francis J. Martin, Lewis G. Martin, Vincent Masi, Edward J. Manson.

Edmund J. Massa, James J. Massa, Armand R. Mathieu, Leo Mazza, Napoleon Mazza, Raymond McCarroll, Francis R. McCarthy, Frederick A. McCarthy, James S. McCullough, Leo E. McDonough, Ralph F. McEwan, Kenneth G. McKay, Robert R. McKay, Donald R. McLeod, Robert D. McPhail, Angelo Melloni.

Lawrence E. Menard, Robert H. Menard, Raymond C. Merrill, Roger C. Merrill, George A. Metayer, Alfred R. Meyer, Stephen A. Meyer, Albin D. Miller, Charles C. Miller, Robert H. Miller\*, Wilbur F. Miller, Pasquale A. Misisco.

Walter M. Monkiewicz, Albert J. Montagna, Alfred P. Montagna, Charles J. Montagna, Peter J. Montagna, George E. Moore, Jr., Gordon Moore, Leslie Moore, Sr., Leslie J. Moore, Jr., Alphonse A. Morassi, Edward R. Morassi, Edward A. Morgan, Rose Morris, James L. Morrison, Edwin P. Mulak, Irene A. Mulak, Joseph F. Mulak, Alfred L. Mutti, Lawrence Mutti, William F. Myers.

(\* Died while in service.)

## **"Brownfields Law"** **Good For Economic Development In MA**

Senate Assistant Majority Leader Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) has announced passage of the "brownfields law" to limit liability on owners of contaminated property who present plans for clean-up and development. The law also offers financial incentives to individuals who develop on polluted land.

"This is important legislation for Hampden County that should serve to provide land for economic development and job creation," Melconian said. "There are hundreds of abandoned and contaminated sites that can and should be revitalized."

Under provisions of the law, buyers of environmentally contaminated old industrial land, commonly known as "brownfields," will not be liable for pollution or contamination caused by former owners, as long as certain permanent solutions are reached on clean-up procedures and schedules.

The law will allocate \$30 million for a brownfields' redevelopment fund, \$15 million for a redevelopment capital fund, \$10 million for the costs of audits of sites, and \$2 million for the covenant not to sue program administered through the Attorney General's office.

"We must encourage, not discourage, the redevelopment of previously contaminated land," Melconian said. "New owners need not be held accountable for the sins of past polluters."

The law also extends the covenant not to sue program to lower income communities of the Commonwealth. The covenant not to sue program is a liability relief agreement between the owner of a contaminated property and the Attorney General. The extension protects against claims by third parties for contribution and cost recovery.

Certain thresholds must be met to enter into a covenant not to sue agreement, such as submitting a plan for redevelopment of the property by the owner assuring that jobs, affordable housing, or open space will be produced.

"All across the Commonwealth and in Hampden County, brownfields are preventing the development and restoration of potentially useful land," Melconian said. "This new law will be a windfall for economic development."

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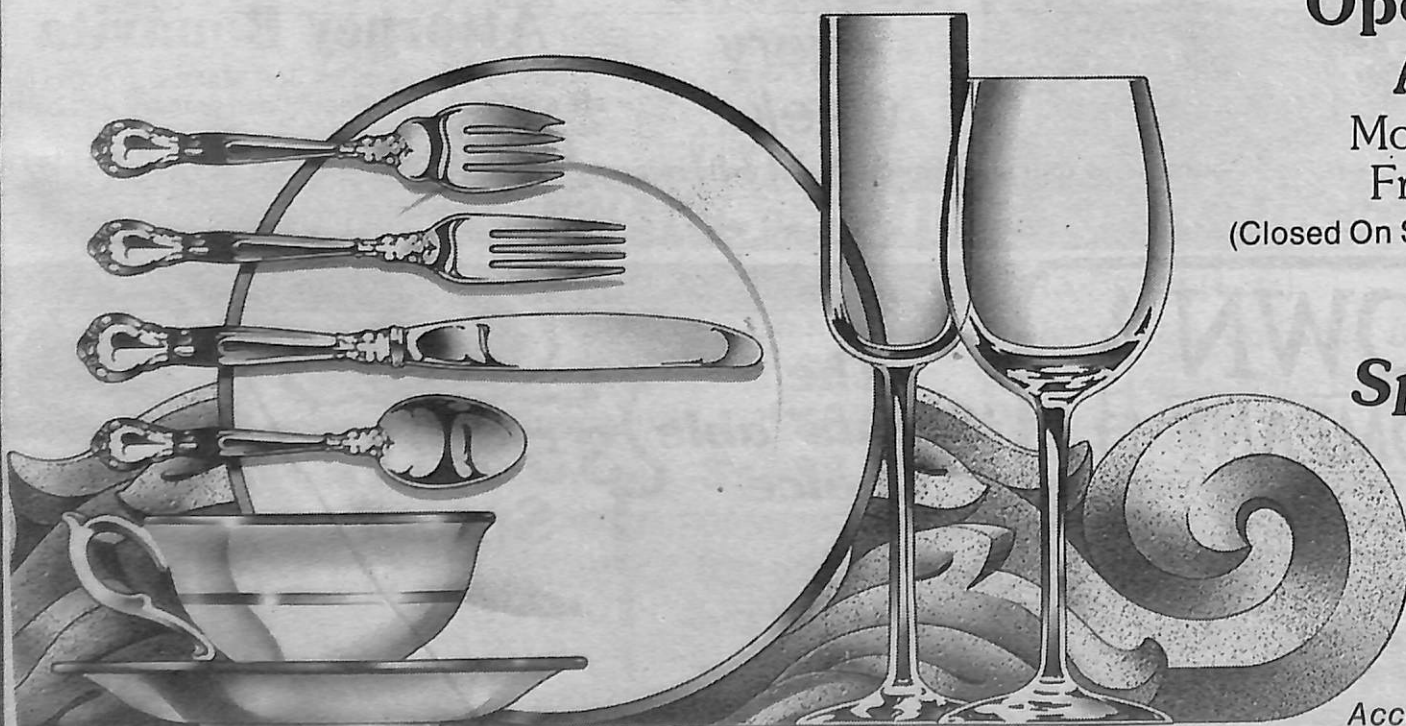
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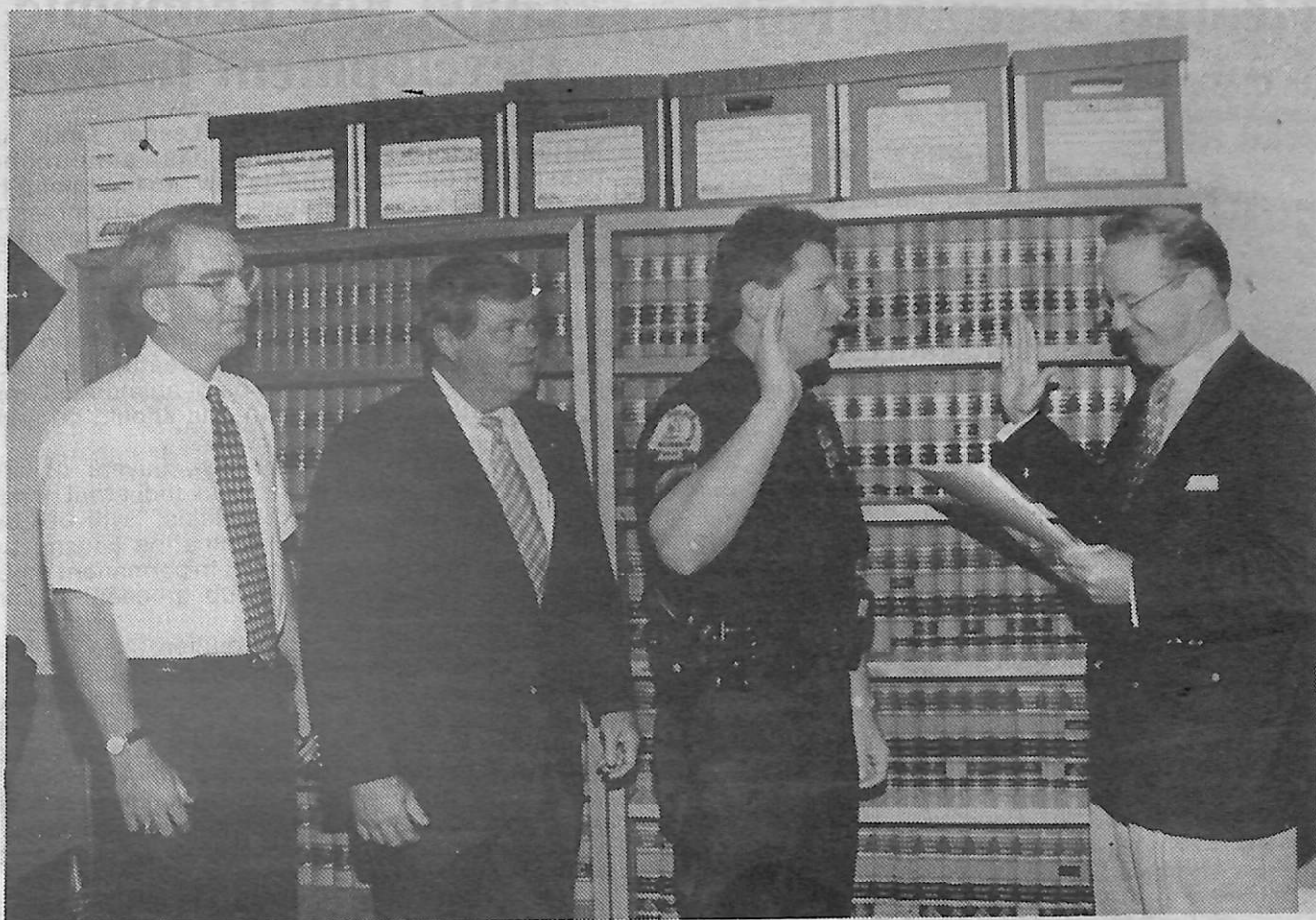
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## Sergeant Gallerani Is Officially Sworn In...



**IT'S OFFICIAL —** Officer Donald Gallerani is now Sergeant Gallerani of the Agawam Police Department. **IN PHOTO ABOVE:** At the swearing-in ceremony at Town Hall on August 18th: Mayor Christopher Johnson, Police Chief Robert Campbell, Sergeant Gallerani, and Town Clerk Richard Theroux. **IN PHOTO AT LEFT:** Sergeant Gallerani with his children, Erica and Troy, his wife, Lori, and his parents, Janet and Arthur. *Advertiser News*

photos by Jack Devine.

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## State's Economy Earns Commendation From Development Corp.

State Representative Daniel F. Keenan is pleased to announce that the Massachusetts economy has earned an Honor Roll commendation on the 1998 Development Report Card for the States.

The report card is released by the non-profit Corporation for Enterprise Development (CFED) based in Washington, D.C.

Keenan added, "This is the first time that Massachusetts has made the Corporation's 'Honor Roll' of states, one of only seven states to achieve this distinction, and the only state in the Northeast United States to do so."

Overall, the economy in Massachusetts is graded in three areas: economic performance, business vitality, and development capacity. Massachusetts received grades of a B, A, and A, respectively. According to the report, excellent earnings and job quality were the state's biggest strength. Positive highlights of the report included:

- \* Massachusetts ranked first in the nation for its Technology Resources.

- \* Massachusetts ranked first in the nation for the highest rate of college graduates.

- \* Massachusetts ranked fourth in the nation for highest annual average pay.

- \* Annual average pay rose fifth fastest in the nation.

- \* Massachusetts business sector ranked fourth strongest in the nation due to its diversity and competitiveness.

- \* Quality of resources predicts future economic success.

Keenan, however, views the report and honor roll commendation as a resource to continue strengthening the economy across Massachusetts, especially in Western Massachusetts.

"Although this is great news about our economy, I know there is still more we can do."

## Final Push For Malone's Campaign For Governor

Anthony C. Bonavita, Agawam Coordinator for Joe Malone's campaign for Governor, recently emphasized that the final push is on.

Bonavita stated, "The Republican Primary is less than a month away. Joe Malone is running an issue-oriented campaign and is clearly bringing his message to the voters. He is intelligently placing his views and platform before the voters."

"His Agawam supporters are beginning the final push to get the vote out. They will continue to work hard right up to Primary Day and then in the general election."

"We urge all Republicans and unenrolled voters to exercise their right to vote. We respectfully request their consideration for Joe Malone."

"Joe has been a fantastic treasurer and will be a great governor, but the primary vote is key on September 15th. We need your help now. Our campaign is 'one of inclusion, not exclusion,'" Bonavita said.

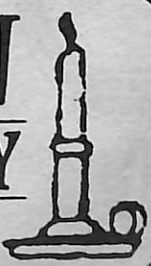
Anyone interested in helping Joe's Agawam campaign can contact Anthony Bonavita at (413) 786-2079.

## Malone Signs Available From Attorney Bonavita

Campaign signs for Joe Malone for Governor are available. The Republican primary will be held on September 15th.

Agawam Coordinator Anthony C. Bonavita said, "Signs will be put up as soon as legally allowed. Anyone who wants a sign, please call me at 786-2079 with their name and address."

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## — Agawam Obituaries —

### Lucille A. Nodurf

Lucille A. (Choate) Nodurf, 60, of 1215 North Street Extension, Feeding Hills, died recently at home.

She had worked as a home health aide for 20 years for the Pioneer Valley Visiting Nurse Association.

Born in Beverly, she have lived in Springfield for several years before moving to Feeding Hills in 1990.

She was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church.

She leaves her husband, James L.; two sons, Christopher J. of Charlton and Stephen P. of Ludlow; two daughters, Anne-Marie Benoit of Hatfield and Susan L. Thibodeau of East Longmeadow; her parents, Frederick and Ruth (Burns) Choate of Wilbraham; and six grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Agawam Funeral Home and in the church, with burial in St. Michael's Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Visiting Nurse Association Hospice of Pioneer Valley, 50 Maple Street, P.O. Box 9058, Springfield, MA 01102-9058.

### Charles W. Brown, Jr.

Charles W. Brown, Jr., 80, of 244 South West Street, Feeding Hills, died in Baystate Medical Center in Springfield.

He was employed as a carpenter and contractor for many years before working as a millwright in Boston.

He was a member of the Local Millwright Union 1121.

Born and raised in Feeding Hills, he lived in that town for most of his life.

He was a member of the Agawam United Methodist Church.

He was a Marine Corps veteran of World War II, serving in Okinawa.

He leaves his wife of 57 years, the former Arlene Ames; a son, Charles W. III of Midland, Texas; two daughters, Elaine B. Barrie of Danielson, Connecticut, and Cynthia B. Kuder of Oxford; two brothers, Noel and Everett, both of Feeding Hills; three sisters, Vera Balch of Jacksonville, Florida, Dorothy Harding of Montpelier, Vermont, and Ruth Chandler of Lenox; and six grandchildren.

The funeral was held in the church, with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery. Curran-Jones Funeral Home of Agawam was in charge of the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, Western Mass. Division, Suite 9A, 1111 Elm Street, West Springfield, MA 01089.

### Carmella C. Mann

Carmella C. (Santinello) Mann, 80, formerly of Boardman Road, Belchertown, died at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield.

She co-owned Mann's Country Store from 1967

to 1975, and housed elderly citizens for many years.

Born in Agawam, she was a long-time resident of Belchertown before returning to Agawam five years ago.

She was a communicant of St. Francis's Church.

Her husband, Edward J. Mann, predeceased her.

She leaves four sons, Patrick of Durham, North Carolina, Randall of Dexter, Maine, Edward J. of South Hadley, and Thomas of Belchertown; three daughters, Patricia Harvey of East Longmeadow, Jean Giroux of Belchertown, and Mary Proulx of Granby; a brother, Nicholas of Southwick; two sisters, Yolonda Nahornick and Frances Pancotti of Springfield; 21 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Beers & Story Belchertown Funeral Home and the church, with the burial in North Dame Cemetery in South Hadley.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Western Massachusetts Kidney Center, 2000 Main Street, Springfield, MA 01103.

### Claude J. Guidetti

Claude J. Guidetti, 86, of 201 Leonard Street, Agawam, died in a local nursing home.

He owned and operated the Guidetti Farm, which specialized in hybrid tomatoes. He also was an electrician for Kidder Stacy Co.

Born in Springfield, he moved to Agawam in 1938.

He worshipped at St. John the Evangelist Church, and belonged to the Massachusetts Farmers Association and UNICO.

His wife, Jennie Smola, died in 1991.

He leaves three daughters, Barbara (Baroody) Guidetti of Lincoln, Virginia, Claudia Walsh of Longmeadow, and Dianne White of Agawam; 10 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Toomey-O'Brien Funeral Home and the church, with the burial in Agawam Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Western New England Hospice, 50 Maple Street, P.O. Box 9058, Springfield, MA 01102-9058.

### Irene R. Kelly

Irene R. (Gough) Kelly, 89, formerly of Francis Street, Agawam, died at Mercy Hospital in Springfield.

She was born in Brooklyn, New York, and lived in Springfield before settling in Agawam in 1958.

She was a communicant of the Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills, a member of the Women's Guild, a chorister, and a catechism teacher.

Her husband, John E. Kelly, died in 1978.

She leaves two sons, Edward B. of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, and James M. of Southington,

Connecticut; two daughters, Lorraine K. Young of Branford, Connecticut, and Irene Kelly of Rochester Hills, Michigan; 18 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Toomey-O'Brien Funeral Home and the church, with the burial in St. Bernard's Cemetery in Simsbury, Connecticut.

### Malcolm B. Kerr

Malcolm B. Kerr, 63, of 548 North West Street, Feeding Hills, died at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield.

He was a stationary engineer at the Southworth Paper Mills, and retired in 1995.

He was a lifelong resident of Feeding Hills.

He leaves a brother, Douglas W. of Feeding Hills, and two sisters, Patricia Forsman and Roberta Cesan of Feeding Hills.

The funeral was held at Agawam Curran-Jones Funeral Home, with the burial in Springfield Street Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Shriners Hospital, 516 Carew Street, Springfield, MA 01104.

### Doris E. Gaunt

Doris E. (Cowles) Gaunt, 84, of Agawam, died in a local nursing home.

Born and schooled in Manchester, Connecticut, she moved to South Hadley in the 1940's and lived there until moving to Agawam six years ago.

She was a sales clerk at the former Kempton Clothiers in Holyoke.

Her husband, Edward J. Gaunt, died in 1993.

She leaves two sons, Timothy A. of Agawam and Gary E. of Springfield, and two grandchildren.

The funeral was held at West Springfield Curran-Jones Funeral Home, and memorial contributions may be made to the Diabetes Foundation of Greater Springfield, 34 Lancaster Avenue, Springfield, MA 01118.

### Gabrielle L. Kellogg

Gabrielle L. (Roy) Kellogg, 86, of 12 River Street, Agawam, died in a local nursing home.

A lifelong resident of Agawam, she was a member of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church.

She had worked as a floor supervisor at the former Library Bindery Company in West Springfield.

Her husband, Richard A. Kellogg, died in 1995, and her son, Donald R. Kellogg, died in 1982.

She leaves three grandchildren, Laurie Emond of Southwick, and Lisa Prost and Brian Kellogg, both of Chicopee; a brother, Robert Roy, and a sister, Adrienne A. Daly, both of Agawam.

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## Concerned Citizens And Businesses Of Agawam

**Public Meeting**  
**September 3, 1998 — 7:00 P.M.**  
**American Legion, Springfield Street, Agawam**

*The public is invited to hear an update on what Berkshire Power is doing to our community and its people as our "good neighbor."  
Find out why they as "good neighbors"...*

- Want to burn oil in a "clean, natural, gas-fired plant."
- Have not updated the evacuation plan as promised.
- Continue to be bullies by punishing those people and their families with lawsuits who have opposed them.
- Have not complied with the wishes of our City Council.
- Have made public false statements about citizens who try to expose them.
- Are buying property and selling it at a loss, thus affecting property values.

**We, as citizens of Agawam, recognize that Berkshire Power is making monetary donations to our community as promised. However, we just want to make sure that our community is not blinded by the monetary donations and that our community will demand Berkshire Power to keep all of their other more important promises.**

### In memory of Ginny Grenier

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I am home in Heaven, dear ones;  
Oh, so happy and so bright!  
There is perfect joy and beauty  
In this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over,  
Every restless tossing passed;  
I am now at peace forever,  
Safely home in Heaven at last.

Did you wonder I so calmly  
Trode the valley of the shade?  
Oh! but Jesus' love illumined  
Every dark and fearful glade.

And He came Himself to meet me  
In that way so hard to tread;  
And with Jesus' arm to lean on,  
Could I have one doubt or dread?

Then you must not grieve so sorely,  
For I love you dearly still;  
Try to look beyond earth's shadows,  
Pray to trust our Father's Will.

There is work still waiting for you,  
So you must not idly stand;  
Do it now, while life remaineth—  
You shall rest in Jesus' land.

When that work is all completed,  
He will gently call you Home;  
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,  
Oh, the joy to see you come!



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The funeral and burial were private, and Agawam Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

**Aldo P. Principe**

Aldo P. Principe, 81, of 811 Worthington Street, Springfield, died in an Agawam nursing home.

He was an engineer for Adams & Luxton Construction Co. for 50 years.

He was born in Springfield, was a lifelong resident, and was a graduate of Trade High School.

He was an Army Ordinance Corps technician four in World War II, and served with the 881st Heavy Armor Maintenance Company in the Mediterranean theater.

He was a communicant of St. Thomas the Apostle Church in West Springfield, and a member of East Longmeadow Local 98 of the International Union of Operating Engineers, and the Mawaga Club of Agawam.

His wife of 61 years, Anna (Augusti) Principe, died in March.

He leaves a son, Paul of Murrieta, California; a sister, Rena Marino of Springfield; and a grandson.

The funeral was held at Colonial-Forastiere Funeral Home of Agawam, and the church, with the burial in St. Thomas Cemetery in West Springfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Shriners Hospital for Children, 516 Carew Street, Springfield, MA 01104.

**Samuel S. Thresher**

Samuel S. Thresher, 67, of 36 Bentley Street, Springfield, died at home.

He was a long-time quality and manufacturing engineer and program manager at Hamilton Standard Division of United Technologies Corp. in Windsor Locks, CT.

He was instrumental in the development of the electron beam welder. He worked later for Windsor Aeromotive Co. and R & D Dynamics.

Born in Stafford Springs, CT, he grew up in Springfield and in East Longmeadow. He also lived in Agawam and Feeding Hills.

He attended American International College, was graduated from Western New England College, and served with the Army Infantry during the Korean War.

He was a member of the Hamilton Standard Retirees Club.

He leaves his wife, Jos A. (Wals) Thresher; four sons, Wayne A. of Springfield, Ralph E. of Westfield, Brian J. of Chicopee, and Roger S. of Feeding Hills; a daughter, Deborah A. Langevin Nooney of Agawam; two brothers, Ralph E. of Enfield and Alan of Thompsonville; a sister, Janet H. Bennett of East Longmeadow; 11 grandchildren; and his former wife, the former Joan E. Tromblay.

The funeral was held at Agawam Curran-Jones Funeral Home, with the burial in Springfield Street Cemetery in Feeding Hills.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association, 393 Maple Street, Springfield, MA 01105.

**Cecelie L. Cardone**

Cecelie L. (Danforth) Cardone, 62, of Wilbraham, died in a local nursing home.

She was a four-year actuarial supervisor at Monarch Life Insurance Co. of Springfield, a two-year librarian at Wilbraham-Monson Academy, the 10-year co-owner of the Agawam Public Market, and a 15-year senior supervisor for Shaklee Products.

Born in Springfield, she was an Agawam High School graduate, and a long-time Agawam resident. She also lived in Lebanon, New Hampshire, Monson, and in Wilbraham for nine years.

She was a communicant of St. John the Evangelist Church, and a member of the Catholic Women's Club of Agawam.

She leaves her husband, Phillip J.; a son, Joseph P. of Leominster; a daughter, Lauren P. Rice of Windham, Maine; a brother, Richard of Sebring, Florida; three grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The funeral was held at Colonial-Forastiere Funeral Home and the church, with the burial in Center Cemetery, all in Agawam.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Phil and Cecelie Cardone Scholarship Foundation, Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts, P.O. Box 15769, Springfield, MA 01115.

**Fire Wise...**

by Fire Chief David Pisano

**Beware — Your Home May Be In The Line Of Fire!**

As more of us choose to live away from urban areas and build homes on forested land, wildfires become an increasing threat each year. The Agawam Fire Department suggests these precautions to protect your home:

- The House

- Use only fire-resistant materials on the exterior.

- Screening material should be used in eaves, vents, and beneath porches to protect the interior from sparks.

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- Flammable materials like firewood or lumber should be stored at least 100 feet from the house.

For further information, contact the Agawam Fire Department at 786-2662.

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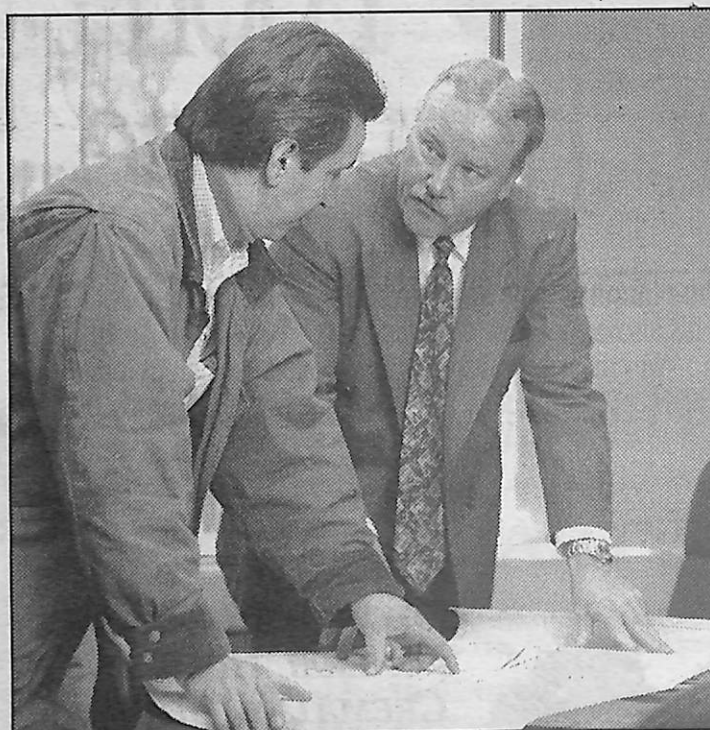
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## Cell Tower Put On Hold...

# Wrong Number On A Surveyor's Plan Means Millions Of Dollars Lost For Cell Phone Company

by Kathy Cassanelli  
News Editor

Since a routine Building Department inspection shut down work on a cell phone tower under construction on Main Street last month, developers of the site say they are losing millions of dollars and will lose even more if the town forces them to move the nearly completed monopole tower.

At last week's Planning Board meeting, representatives of Unisite, which took over the construction and ownership of the tower from Omnipoint Communications, Inc., and plans to rent space on the tower to Omnipoint for a transmission antenna, admitted the tower was mistakenly erected 26 feet from the location approved by both the Planning Board and the Conservation Commission last spring.

Unisite's pleas for approval of an amended site plan to solve their dilemma fell on deaf ears, despite pledges to plant more and larger trees to screen the site to lessen the visual impact on Main Street. The firm pledges to replace three trees mistakenly cut down during the construction of the pole, which is 90 percent complete.

Paul A. DeCoste, Unisite site acquisition and zoning coordinator, explained that the stakes put down by surveyors to mark the original location were never moved by the original developers of the site, even though the location was changed three times before receiving approval from the town.

"We took the word of our surveyors and we didn't check on it," DeCoste said, taking responsibility for the error.

Local developer and Planning Board member Charles Calabrese said he felt the only thing that

would rectify the problem would be for Unisite to move the tower and replace the trees.

Calabrese agreed with the company that there was no excuse for the pole to be in the wrong spot, adding, "I've put houses on the wrong lots, and I've had to pay to move them."

Board member Dennis Hopkins said the board must determine if there will be an impact on the site significant enough to require Unisite to tear down the tower and reconstruct it in the correct location.

## Problem From Day One

Board member Edward Shibley bluntly told the developers that the project had been a problem from day one. "This leaves a bad taste in my mouth and if you're asking me if we should have to live with your mistake, my answer is 'no,'" Shibley said.

Company arguments that moving the pole 26 feet would have virtually no impact on the visual impact of the site failed to persuade town planners. Planners recited a litany of problems with Omnipoint that included beginning work on the Main Street project before the proper permits had been issued, and erecting the wrong type of tower on Provin Mountain.

Director of Planning and Community Development Deborah S. Dachos said the problem could not be resolved by adding more and taller trees.

"This is a gateway area into town that we have been trying to make as attractive as possible. Riverside Park is investing millions of dollars to beautify the area and the critical issue here was the location of the pole on that site, not the

number of trees that were cut down by mistake," Ms. Dachos said. "A planting area that was to have been 50 feet wide is now down to 24 feet."

After the discussion among the three board members made it clear that they favored having the pole moved to the proper location, the cell tower developers agreed to table their request for an amended site plan to the next meeting when they will have the opportunity to present their case before the full board.

Unisite officials told board members they had inherited the problem when they took over the project and had been unaware that the site was never re-surveyed after the Conservation Commission issued an order of conditions to protect wetlands on the site. The terms of the order of conditions required that the tower be built in an area of the site that is 26 feet from the spot first proposed by Omnipoint.

The original site had received Board of Appeals approval, but the original site plan was not approved by the Planning Board or the Conservation Commission.

Unisite construction Manager Stephen Ruzzo could not give an estimate of the cost to tear down the tower and move it, but the estimated loss of revenue due to the work stoppage is in the millions.

Ruzzo said the tower is 90 percent complete, with just the final section waiting to be installed before the pole can begin transmitting.

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## Families

### Memorial Tree Program Available Again In Agawam

The Agawam Beautification Committee announced that it will again offer its "Memorial Tree Planting Program" beginning this fall. Under this program, individuals or organizations can donate a tree as a living memorial to an individual or cause of their choice.

Each donor will be notified when and where a tree is planted. Also, the name of the donor and the name of the person or cause being memorialized will be inscribed on a brass plate and mounted on the Memorial Tree Plaque located in the front lobby of the Agawam Town Hall.

The program began in 1995 and up to 1997, resulted in the planting of 44 memorial trees. It was temporarily interrupted because the trees originally planted by the Conservation Commission for this purpose were no longer available. A new source of trees has now been established. The donation for a single tree is \$125. The trees will be planted at locations throughout town on an as-needed basis as was determined by a townwide tree inventory conducted by citizen volunteers in 1995. These locations include visible public areas, near public buildings, along major streets, and at approaches to the gateways to the community.

Councilman George Bitzas remarked that this program has proven popular because it both offers a living memorial and also serves a public need. He went on to say, "It also provides an opportunity for those wishing to commemorate a life event such as a birthday, a graduation, or a retirement," Zoafia Demko said, "Over the years, trees which once graced our treebelts were lost to storms, disease, and expansion and never replaced. This is a wonderful way to restore the historic beauty to our streets and to also honor the memory of a special person or cause."



**AGAWAM BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS** John Zebryk, Zoafia Demko, and George Bitzas examine the Memorial Tree Plaque maintained in the Town Hall. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

John Zebryk pointed out that all members of the Beautification Committee are available to provide additional information and that a brochure describing the program in greater detail, along with an order form, can be obtained at the Library and the Town Hall lobby, or by calling the Planning Office at 786-0400, ext. 246. Trees are normally planted in the early fall and late spring after a minimum number of donations are received.

### Peter Pappas To Represent District 3 At Nat'l American Legion Convention

James Flattes of Dorchester, State Commander of the American Legion, will head Massachusetts' 76-member delegation to the National Convention in New Orleans from September 3rd-10th.

At-large delegates will include Past National Commander John P. "Jake" Comer of Quincy; Immediate Past State Commander Leslie "Whitey" McKittrick of Woburn; Past State Commanders Leo Bernier of Swanswa and Alfred Fuller of New Bedford; and PCC of Hampden County William Craven of Post 286 Wilbraham.

Representing District 3 will be Agawam resident Peter Pappas, Mark Avis of Palmer, Paul Morin of Chicopee, Delfo Barabani of Willimansett, Norman Doray of Fairview, and Robert Baranowski of Springfield.

Alternates will be Henry Jennings of Holyoke, Wilma Jennings of Holyoke, Richard Lowe of Holyoke, Alfred Martel of Chicopee, Alleen Augustus of Springfield, and Tom Pitoniak of Westfield.

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### Boy Scout Troop 78 Enjoys Trip To Camp Wapominee

During the last week of July, Boy Scout Troop 78 of the Springfield Turnverein ventured on a week-long experience at Camp Wapominee in Fort Ann, New York. Twenty-seven boys and 10 adults attended.

A total of 58 merit badges were earned by the boys during camp and nine boys advanced in rank. The mile swim was completed by four adults and one scout: Louise Pilegi, Cliff Hogan, Rob Skiba, Ed Lizotte, and Chris Holl. Seven scouts took on the challenge of the C.O.P.E. course.

During Troop Rifle School, the adults were challenged to a competition. Tied for first place were Rob Skiba and Gil Fortunato. Other special rewards received were earned by Jeff Woodard for cooking and Dan Augar for archery. As a Troop, second place was received for camp inspection with a score of 98.4.

On Friday, the last full day of camp, a black and gold stuffed bird named Edwardo and belonging to Eric Hogan, mysteriously disappeared. A ransom note was left informing Eric of how to get Edwardo back. He followed the path as directed by the notes, which led him to the waterfront, rifle range, pioneering, mail room, and the C.O.P.E. course. Edwardo was discovered clipped to a wire 30 feet above the ground, so Eric climbed up, walked the high line, attached Edwardo to his safety belt, and together they slid down the zip line. Edwardo was proclaimed official mascot of Boy Scout Troop 78 by Scoutmaster Ray LaBorde.

After an enjoyable week, the Troop returned and started their plans for the next scouting year. Troop meetings are held each Tuesday evening from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Springfield Turnverein. The new season will begin on September 1st. New members are always welcomed. If you have any questions, call Ray LaBorde.

The boys will be selling candy bars outside local grocery stores throughout September to raise money for the upcoming year and their next summer camping trip to Washington, D.C. Your support is greatly appreciated.

### Agawam/Feeding Hills AARP To Meet On September 28th

The Agawam/Feeding Hills Chapter A.A.R.P. will meet for a new season September 28th at 1:00 p.m. in the Agawam Senior Citizens' Center.

An election of officers will be the first order of business. There will be a video on "memory" shown.

Refreshments will be served. We urge all seniors to attend and enjoy the program. We ask members to bring guests.

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Overcoming The Language Barrier...

## Foreign Student Receives Help From Senior Ctr.

by Kathy Cassanelli  
News Editor

All it takes is a little help from a friend to feel more at home in new surroundings. Never mind the 74-year gap in their ages and the thousands of miles between their homes. Seventeen year-old Juliana Batista and 91 year-old Beatrice Monteiro chatted as happily together as if they'd known each other for years rather than minutes at a recent luncheon at the Agawam Senior Center.

Getting the two together was the brainchild of Assistant Senior Center Director Gail Freeman, who is always looking to strengthen the ties between the community and the seniors.

After meeting Juliana at a neighborhood picnic within days of her arrival from Vitoria, Brazil, Ms. Freeman offered to find a Portuguese-speaking senior to help Juliana communicate with her host family.

Under the sponsorship of the AFS Intercultural Programs, Juliana is living with the Hellstein family — Mark, Kelly, and their daughters Hannah, 5, and Riley, 3 — and getting ready to attend Agawam High School as a member of the senior class next week.

The problem was, Juliana had limited English-speaking skills and the Hellsteins had no knowledge of Portuguese. Until their meeting with Beatrice, Mrs. Hellstein and Juliana had been relying on a Portuguese/English dictionary, heavily assisted by pantomime, as their only means of communication.

"We use the dictionary all day long and if we can get one word, we can reasonably understand a whole sentence," Mrs. Hellstein said. "Also, we use a lot of body language and charades; we're getting very good at acting things out. I thought it was a great idea to get together with someone at the Senior Center to help interpret for us."

With Beatrice translating, Juliana was able to let her host mother get a better idea of what kind of foods she likes or dislikes and what sort of activities she enjoys. Mrs. Hellstein, who coached the AHS field hockey team last year, was pleased to learn that Juliana is interested in playing volleyball and may try out for the High School's newly-instituted volleyball program.

### A Way To Develop Her English Skills...

Planning a career as a lawyer working in a public service role after college, Juliana wanted to be a part of the 11-month-long AFS Program as



**AFS STUDENT JULIANA BATISTA (left) enjoys lunch at the Agawam Senior Center with Beatrice Monteiro.**

a way to develop her English and increase her chances of landing a good job. For Mrs. Hellstein, the timing was right to welcome an exchange student while she is putting her physical education teaching career on hold for another two years until her younger daughter enters school.

"I like doing different things and I thought it would be good for the kids to have a student from another country living with us," Mrs. Hellstein said.

Used to being the younger sister of two brothers ages 18 and 20, Juliana is enjoying her new role as the big sister to Hannah and Riley. "I like the children. It's very nice at (the Hellstein) home," Juliana said.

Juliana says she is looking forward to making new friends at the High School and getting involved in the extracurricular activities.

"I am not nervous about starting school, but I will be nervous for one day only, the first day of school," Juliana said.

In the meantime, Ms. Freeman is planning to put together a series of meetings teaming senior citizens who speak a foreign language with exchange students from their native lands.

"I'd like to have the students and the seniors meet for a chance to socialize," Ms. Freeman said. "It's always nice to talk to someone from home and for many of our seniors, the students would be a link to their homelands. And we've seen how much the seniors enjoyed having the Hellstein family and Juliana join us for lunch."

## Operation Friendship Seeks Families For 1999-2000 Programs

The Feeding Hills Chapter of Operation Friendship is looking for families for the 1999 and 2000 hosting and travel programs.

Operation Friendship is a non-profit, all volunteer organization whose purpose is to encourage international friendship and understanding among youth and adults, both foreign and domestic.

Membership in Operation Friendship is open to any youth 13-21 years of age. To travel the youth must be 15 years of age by July 1, 2000. It is a two-year family commitment. The first year is to host a European youth in your home; the second year, a chance to travel to one of the seven European countries involved in Operation Friendship International: England, Northern Ireland, Wales, Scotland, Sweden, The Netherlands, and Germany.

Travel dates usually fall around the end of July to early August. During the three-week visit, each local hosting group plans a program of tours and visits to educate their guests as to the cultural, educational, commercial, industrial, and government systems of the country.

Once a visitor reaches the nation being visited the host group assumes all boarding and touring costs. Through fundraising activities, our local group is able to meet most, if not all, of the travel fees and hosting costs.

For more information, call Sharon Rozanski at 786-8743.

## Agawam Garden Club To Take Field Trip To Gladioli Farm

A field trip by the Agawam Garden Club to John Adams' gladioli farm on Route 187 in Suffield is set for 1:00 p.m. this Sunday, August 30th.

Joan Presz of Feeding Hills is in charge of the trip. She advises members to wear shoes suitable for walking in the fields. They will meet at the gardens, where Adams will discuss raising gladioli and dahlias with members. He is a member of the Gladioli Society.

There is no sign by the gardens, Presz explained. The gardens on Route 187 are distinguishable by a barn and fields of flowers.

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• **Be A Kid For A Day, Sept. 18th** - Enter The Big E for the price of a child on opening day, Friday, Sept. 18th. For only \$6, fairgoers will taste the cooking of Mary Ann Esposito, star of "Ciao Italia," and John Walters from WHYN Radio. The thunder of the Joie Chitwood Thrill Show, sponsored by Town Fair Tire Centers, will match the mighty roars of prehistoric creatures at The Big E's Dinosaur Encounter, brought to you by Sears, in the Young Building. The soulful music of blues-inspired Southern rockers The Charlie Daniels Band will set the tune for 17 days of incredible entertainment at The Big E. Also, The Big E Grande Parade, sponsored by Stop & Shop, will march its way through the fairgrounds at 5:00 p.m.

• **4-H/FFA Day, Sept. 19th** - The Big E pays tribute to the thousands of 4-H and FFA youths who further their education by participating in agricultural and livestock competitions during the fair. Other attractions, including special events and judging contests, will also be held to celebrate the day.

• **Salute to New England Parks and Forests Day, Sept. 20th** - Join the New England states as they salute their Forests and Parks on the Avenue of States. Look for colorful tents on the lawns of each state building.

• **West Springfield Day, sponsored by Westbank, Sept. 21st** - The town of West Springfield has been the home of "The Great New England Fall Festival" for more than 77 years. To honor The Big E's hometown, a luncheon will be held for West Springfield dignitaries. The Big E Grande Parade, sponsored by Stop & Shop, will feature West Side contingents.

• **Senior Citizen Days, Sept. 22nd & Sept. 29th** - The Big E extends a warm welcome to its senior visitors ages 60 and over with a special discounted gate admission of \$8 during their special days. Helpful Hint: Seniors may also purchase discount advance adult tickets by Sept. 12th for \$8 at The Big E Box Office, Storowton Village Museum or at Stop & Shop Supermarkets.

• **New England Governors' Day, Sept. 25th** - The Big E will host the New England Governors' Conference followed by a luncheon and a tour of the Avenue of States.

• **Trustees' Day, Sept. 26th** - Eastern States Exposition Trustees, who tirelessly donate so much of their valuable time, will gather from around New England to enjoy The Big E.

• **Grange Day, Sept. 27th** - The New England Grange Building was built near the Avenue of States in 1938 thanks to the efforts of all six New England Granges. Today, in celebration of their accomplishment, there will be special entertainment on the front lawn and a Grange float in The Big E Grande Parade, sponsored by Stop & Shop, at 5:00 p.m. This year, the Massachusetts Grange celebrates its 100-year anniversary.

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• **Shriners' Day, Sept. 29th** - The Big E again honors its longstanding relationship with this prominent benevolent organization. Don't miss the brilliant Shriners' Parade at 5:00 p.m. as The Big E Grande Parade, sponsored by Stop & Shop, becomes a Shriners' Day spectacular!

• **Agawam Day, Sept. 30th** - The Big E's friendly neighbor to the south, the town of Agawam, will be honored with a special luncheon for our friends across the Morgan/Sullivan Memorial Bridge.

• **Westfield Day, Oct. 1st** - Today, The Big E recognizes the folks to the west, the city of Westfield, with a special reception and parade.

• **Chicopee Day, Oct. 2nd** - Honoring the fair city of Chicopee with a special parade at 5:00 p.m., sponsored by Stop & Shop, The Big E will proudly

present a contingent from our neighbor across the river.

• **Draft Horse Challenge Day, Oct. 4th** - The Big E comes to a thunderous conclusion as The North American Six-Horse Hitch Classic Series 1998 Championship Finals is conducted within the Coliseum. The mightiest heavy horse teams in America will compete for national honors and cash prizes.

The State Days are as follows: **Rhode Island Day, Sept. 22nd; Connecticut Day, Sept. 23rd; Massachusetts Day, Sept. 24th; New Hampshire Day, Sept. 25th; Vermont Day, Sept. 26th; Maine Day, Oct. 3rd.**

Fairgoers can choose from 17 fun-filled special days featuring well-known entertainers, a variety of agriculture and livestock shows, thrilling rides, and delicious food at "The Great New England Fall Festival." Come for one or enjoy them all, but don't miss the festivities at The Big E in West Springfield, Mass., Sept. 18th-Oct. 4th.

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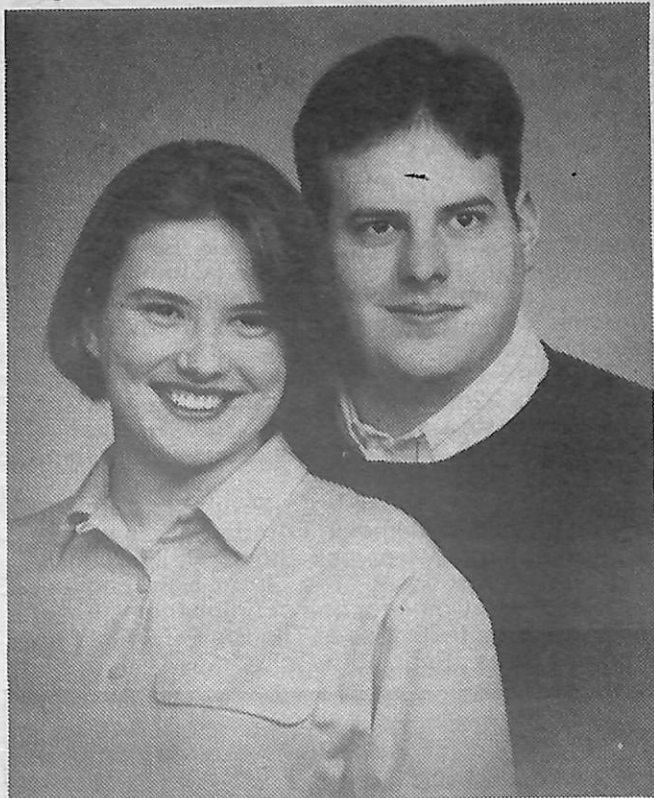
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Miss Bitgood graduated from Agawam High School in 1995 and is currently a senior at Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley. Majoring in French and pursuing a teaching certificate, she plans to teach French following graduation.

Also a graduate of Agawam High School in 1995, Mr. Manning is a senior at Hamilton College in Clinton, New York. He plans to enter law school next year.

A July 17th wedding is planned at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Feeding Hills.

## AHS's Class Of 1978 To Hold 20th Reunion

The Agawam High School Class of 1978 will be holding its 20-year class reunion on Saturday, November 28, 1998 at the Tekoa Country Club in Westfield.

Details will be sent out at a later date. If you have moved in the last five years or know of anyone who has, please let us know. We need to update our mailing list.

We are also looking for anyone who has any memorabilia from our class in 1978. Please drop a note to Shelley (Borgatti) Reed, 10 Shelley Lane, Feeding Hills, MA or call Lisa (Kamyk) Johnson at (413) 789-2335.



VINCENT NASCEMBENI with his new sister, Victoria Lynn.

## Vincent Nascembeni Announces Birth Of Baby Sister, Victoria

Vincent Nascembeni is proud to announce the birth of his new baby sister, Victoria Lynn.

Victoria was born on June 26, 1998 at 3:18 p.m. She weighed 10 pounds, 11.5 ounces and measured 22 inches long.

Tina and Tony Nascembeni of Feeding Hills are her proud parents.

Her grandparents are Thomas and Linda Sheehan of Feeding Hills and Wayne and Carolyn Nascembeni of Springfield.

Barbara Tortoriello of Feeding Hills and Grace Sheehan of Chicopee are her great-grandmothers.

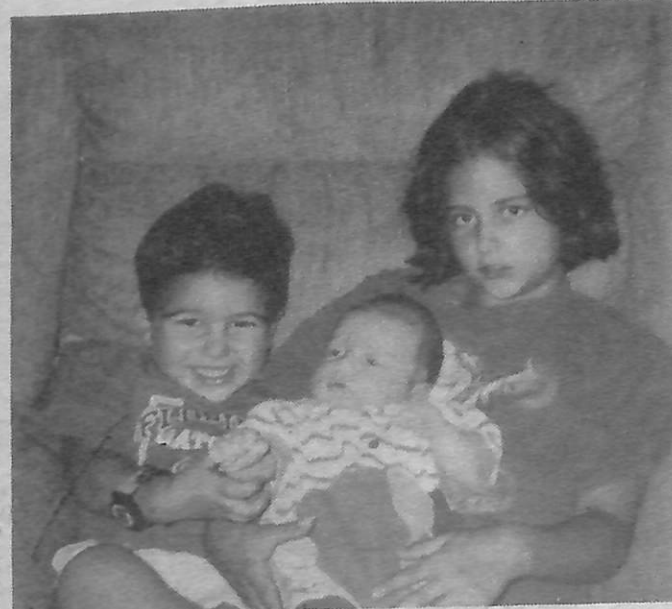
## Sally M. Loos Of Agawam Named President Of Pioneer Valley Quilters

Agawam resident Sally M. Loos has been named president of the Pioneer Valley Quilters. Ms. Loos has been practicing quilt artistry for six years.

With a desire to create a quilt for her newborn son, she had found a new direction for her artistic expression. As any quilter will tell you, quilting is a lifelong journey.

It was with great surprise that she discovered a Quilters Guild right here in Agawam. After four years as a member, she is proud to be named the new president. Ms. Loos is looking forward to a

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THOMAS AND ERICA MORRIS with their new brother, John Raymond.

## Morris Family Announces Birth Of Son, John Raymond

What a birthday present! John Raymond Morris was born at Baystate Medical Center on July 10th (his mom's birthday). He weighed seven pounds, 15½ ounces, and measured 19½ inches long.

The proud parents are Raymond & Michele Morris. John was also welcomed home by his brother Thomas and sister Erica.

The grandparents are Herbert & Lucy Morris, Carmine & Barbara Biagini, and Richard & Debbie Cormier.

John has lots of aunts and uncles, as well as a great-nana and a great-mem'mere and pep'pere. We are blessed!

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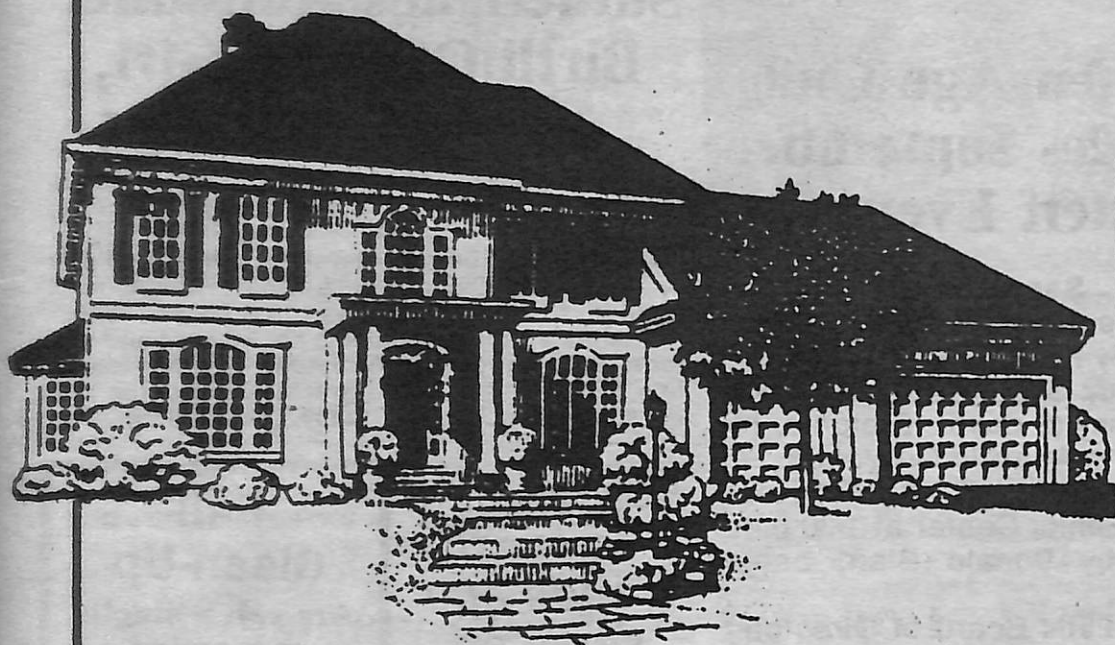
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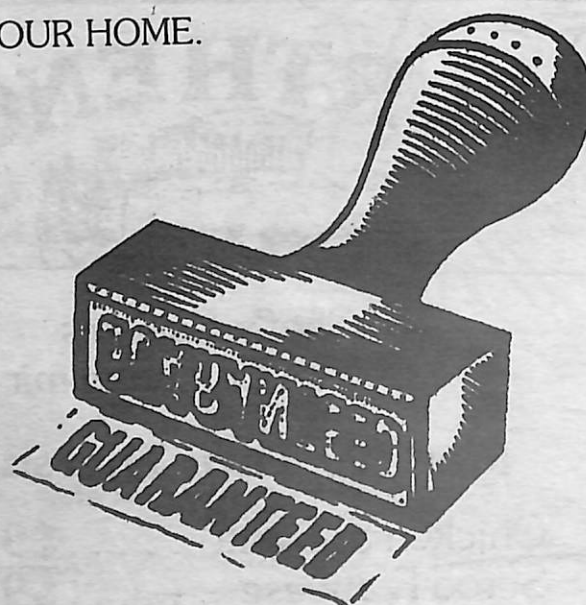
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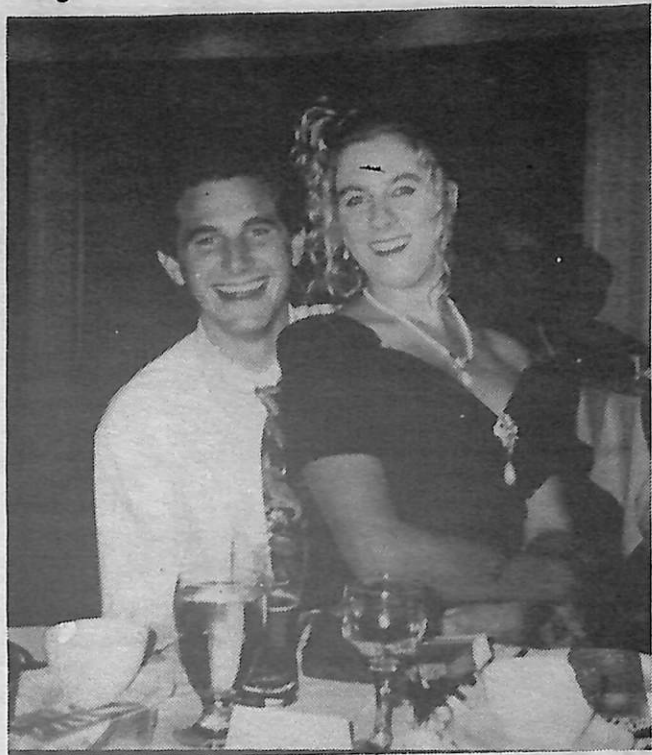
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SHAWN RUMPLIK AND TAMMY WASHBURN

## Tammy L. Washburn Engaged To Wed Shawn Rumplik

Bill and Becky Washburn of Agawam are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Tammy L. Washburn, of Agawam to Shawn Rumplik, son of Larry and Gail Rumplik of Feeding Hills.

Tammy is a 1992 graduate of Agawam High School and recently obtained a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Westfield State College. She is enrolled in their graduate program.

Tammy is employed by the Town of Agawam as a teacher's assistant at the Middle School.

Shawn is a 1992 graduate of Agawam High School and received an associate's degree from Holyoke Community College and is presently attending Westfield State College, where he is majoring in education and science. He is presently an employee of Costco in West Springfield.

Tammy and Shawn will have an April 11, 1999 wedding at Agawam Congregational Church followed by a reception at the Colosseum in West Springfield.

## Ag. Golden Age Club Chapter 1 - September Calendar Of Events

**Friday, Sept. 4th:** Board of Directors' meeting at the Senior Center at 1:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, Sept. 9th:** Meeting at 1:30 p.m. Bake sale before meeting, Jeannette Boucher, Chairperson; 2:30 p.m., Speaker, Phyllis H. Magoon, General Mgr., Springfield District, Western Mass. Elec. Co.

**Wednesday, Sept. 16th:** Day trip to North Shore Theater for "Kismet."

**Wednesday, Sept. 23rd:** Meeting, Program Speaker at 2:30 p.m., Marilyn Curry. Topic: "History of Agawam."

**Sept. 25th-28th:** A Special Trip to Quebec, Canada.

## Ag. Golden Age Club Chapter 2 - September Calendar Of Events

**Wednesday, Sept. 2nd:** Regular meeting at 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. Entertainment by Kevin Bell - Karaoke.

**Sept. 13th-18th:** Bus trip to Wildwood Crest, New Jersey (6 days - 5 nights, includes 2 nights in Atlantic City, N.J.).

**Wednesday, Sept. 16th:** Regular meeting at the Senior Center at 1:30 p.m. Entertainment by Donald Blair, banjo player, singer.

**Friday, Sept. 25th:** Board of Directors' meeting at 1:00 p.m. at the Senior Center.

**Monday, Sept. 28th:** Bus trip to Fitzwilliam Inn - Fall foliage.



VICTORIA "TORRIE" PATRICIA SUTHERLAND

## Sutherlands Announce Birth Of Baby Girl, Victoria Patricia

Donald and Dianne Sutherland of Agawam announce the arrival of their daughter, Victoria Patricia.

Victoria was born at Baystate Medical Center on August 4, 1998 at 6:30 a.m. She weighed six pounds, 15.3 ounces and was 19½ inches long.

The maternal grandparents are Edward and Victoria Zabawa of Southamptn, Massachusetts and the paternal grandparents are Francis and Patricia Sutherland of Granby, Connecticut.

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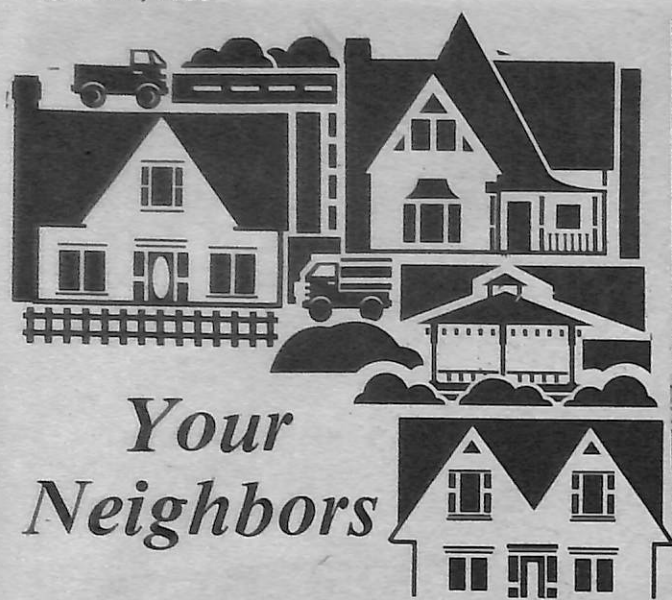
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## Rita Moore Gears Up For Another Year Of The Big E

by Peggy Shoemaker  
Advertiser News Feature Writer

A bundle of energy, efficiency, and good humor, Rita Moore of Federal Avenue, Agawam is a busy person.

She coordinates Information Services and Educational Programs at The Big E, teaches First Response Courses (first aid) to firefighters, is a member of the Springfield Ski Club Ski Patrol, volunteers for the Red Cross and at her church, etc., etc.

With all her skills and responsibility, she finds humor in everything. "You have to have a sense of humor," she said smiling, "and also be able to laugh at yourself." Her mood can change from laughter to deep seriousness in the wink of an eye.

Rita's family moved from Springfield to Agawam when she was three and she's lived here since. She graduated from Agawam High School, as did her husband, Leslie Moore, Jr., and her children; Judy, an associate professor at Springfield College, and Leslie Moore III of Stonington, Connecticut. And there are four grandchildren.

"Gabby" is a nickname given to her by a classmate after the town crier in the movie "Gulliver's Travels," Rita said, "and the nickname stuck. We kids spent a lot of time playing tennis in those days," Rita recalled, at the old tennis courts that were then behind the First Baptist Church in Agawam Center.



RITA MOORE

On her last day at Agawam High School, the class voted Rita, Ed Gallerani, and Ellie Ezekiel Richards to head a class reunion committee. The three have worked with, or headed, the reunion committee for the event held every five years since.

A year after her high school graduation, Rita and Leslie were married by the same priest that had married Rita's parents.

Rita worked at Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co. in the Underwriting Dept. until she decided to stay at home to care for her children. She has taken several courses over the years, some in public relations.

### 32nd Big E Fair

The Big E caught her interest in 1962 as she volunteered with a parent-teacher group at the Storowton Village School House and with Girls Scouts at the Herb Garden. When she coordinated a College Queens contest, she joined The Big E staff in 1967. September will mark her 32nd Big E fair.

Although her job is part-time, it is concentrated between April and October. At The Big E, she wears three hats, she said; one, as manager of information booths and phones for fairgoers; two, as coordinator of school and institution programs; and three, as coordinator of food contests. The food competitions include Spam recipes,

bread and butter cookies sponsored by Fleischmann's Margarine and Butter, and a spice food contest called "Spice Up Your Life" sponsored by Pepcid.

Rita joins the full-time Big E staff at the end of March, and her hours get longer as the fair approaches in September. "During the fair, it is bedlam," she said, "but it's lots of fun." Her services come under the umbrella of the Marketing Department headed by Noreen Tassinari.

In the winter months, Rita is busy at the Springfield Ski Club, which owns the adjacent Blandford Ski Area. She was public relations director and on the board of directors for 15 years, and has been active on the ski patrol for 35 years.

"It's a people thing," Rita said with an impish grin. "I love being with people."

She gave a fascinating account of her ski patrol duties. She patrols ski slopes and there is radio communication between patrol members. She is a winter emergency technician when in charge of the patrol room.

Should an accident occur on the slopes and the patrol members radio in, she prepares the medical equipment that will be needed for the particular injury. If warranted, she can call the Huntington Ambulance to take the injured party to Noble Hospital in neighboring Westfield.

### Awarded A 30-Year Red Cross Pin

This work requires knowledge of appropriate first aid and applicable emergency procedures which Rita learned through the Red Cross. She is a Red Cross First Aid Instructor and became a CPR instructor in 1971. The Red Cross awarded her a 30-year pin in May.

An outgrowth of this is instructing a First Responders Course (appropriate first aid) to firefighters who are not Emergency Medical Technicians or paramedics. "This course is required by law for firefighters," she said.

Rita said she attends Mass daily (when she can) and has been a Parish Council member at St. John the Evangelist Church. Her mother was a founder of the Catholic Women's Club and Rita is a long-time member. She is also a greeter at weekend Masses.

"I am humbled by the accolades awarded me by The Big E," Rita said modestly. Several years ago, she was a "Host of the Day" and she was chosen one of the "Faces of the Fair" for an exhibit at the New England Building. Her name was proposed by Mrs. Tassinari, her superior, for an award from the Greater Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau. She was awarded a "Hospitality Excellence Award" specifically for fairs and festivals.

In all her activities (and I am sure we haven't covered them all), Rita enjoys working with people. "From the younger ones I learn a lot. Usually good and conscientious, they keep abreast of their outlook."

The Moores have a house in Florida which they rent out most of the time. Since Leslie is also a busy person, the couple go back and forth as necessary, but seldom take time to vacation there.

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**"DOES ANYONE LIKE BAKED BEANS???"** Georgette Jean, Mary Spinelli, Lee Dion, and Thelma Ryan at the annual Chapter 2 picnic, held at the Agawam VFW. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Annual Picnic Held At VFW By Golden Age Club Chapter 2

The Agawam Golden Age Club, Chapter 2, held its Annual Picnic at the Agawam VFW Post 1632 Pavilion, South Street, Agawam, on Wednesday, August 19th.

President Perry McCobb welcomed 130 senior members in attendance to enjoy the ideal weather and the tasty food. He complimented the Picnic Committee for the efficient handling of setting tables, serving food and supplies, and serving all the meals.

Club members Lawrence and Francis Viens were in charge of the charcoal grill, cooking the hamburgs and hot dogs. Ladies from the Hospitality Committee prepared plates of ketchup, mustard, relish, and dried onions for each table.

Several men served as handsome waiters delivering meals to members seated at the tables.

Committee members in charge of food and supplies were Jannie Juzba (meat), Edward Grimes (rolls), and Leanne Dion (homebaked beans). Frank Paradiso donated ice-cold watermelon, and Perry & Rose McCobb provided fruit punch, iced tea, coffee, and miscellaneous supplies.

Cash bingo was called by Edward Grimes, assisted by Virginia Lake.

The many prizes donated to the club were distributed by Jennie Juzba and her committee.

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## Ag. Senior Center's Weekly Lunch Menu

**Monday, August 31st:** Meatball stroganoff, parsley noodles, spinach, fresh fruit.

**Tuesday, September 1st:** Birthday celebration — turkey pot pie (potato, carrots, peas, onions, celery), tossed salad, cake.

**Wednesday, September 2nd:** Liver & onions, baked potato, stewed tomatoes, pumpernickel bread, canned pears.

**Thursday, September 3rd:** American chop suey, tossed salad, rudi roll, jello & fruit.

**Friday, September 4th:** Seafood Newburg, noodles, cole slaw, rye bread, applesauce.

(Menu subject to change without notice.)

## Agawam High's Class Of 1973 To Hold 25th Reunion In November

It sure doesn't seem like 25 years have gone by! Agawam High School's Class of 1973 will be holding its 25th reunion on Friday, November 27, 1998, so save this date!

This gala event will be held at the elegant Log Cabin in Holyoke starting at 6:30 p.m. A wonderful evening is planned, including the well-known, eight-piece brass band, "Brass Attack," which will provide entertainment.

We are still trying to locate missing classmates. If you know anyone who has moved in the last five years or the whereabouts of the following classmates, please contact Susan Borgatti Meunier at 786-6669 or Steve Richter at 569-3214.

Sandy Adams, John Brame, Lorraine Brazeau, Tom Brunelle, Constance Buynicki, Kevin Cawley, Claudia Cunningham, Barbara Dubour, Tom Folger, Candace Gallucci, Nancy George, Rebecca Jones, Judy Lacroix, Wendy Merchant.

Also, David Montagna, Catherine Parent, Harold Martin, Jen Reynolds, Wendy Richards, Andrew Robbins, Don Schebel, Steve Skiba, William Saliba, Mark Scales, Richard Strawn, Frank Talbot, Ted Wislowski.

Anyone with class memorabilia or old photos, please contact Sue Meunier (786-6669). Thanks, and watch for your invitation.

## 'Friends' Seek Nominees For Award

At the Annual Awards Dinner to be held at Ferruccio's on Thursday, October 22nd, the Friends of the Agawam Senior Center will be presenting an award to a person who assists another person or persons who cannot do for themselves.

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For information about the Association and the reunion, please contact: John R. Scott, Secretary, P.O. Box 1372, Shawnee Mission, KS, telephone (913) 722-1143.

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## Jr. Women's Club To Sponsor Scarecrow Booth At Fini's Farm

The Agawam Junior Women's Club will be sponsoring a Halloween Scarecrow Booth at Fini's Farm in October. This fun-filled event will give you and your family an opportunity to create a life-size scarecrow for holiday decorating.

Your assistance is being requested in preparing for this upcoming event.

As you are cleaning out your closets for the upcoming fall season, we are asking for donations of old clothing. Old pants (jeans and corduroys), shirts (flannel or denim are best), hats, pantyhose, and material for patches are needed. A large quantity of hay is also needed.

The Agawam Junior Women's Club needs your help in making this event a success. If anyone could possibly donate some of these items, please contact them at (413) 786-5540.

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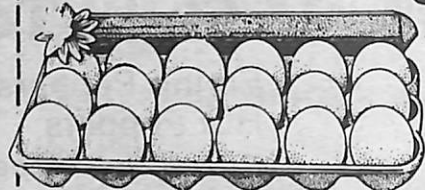
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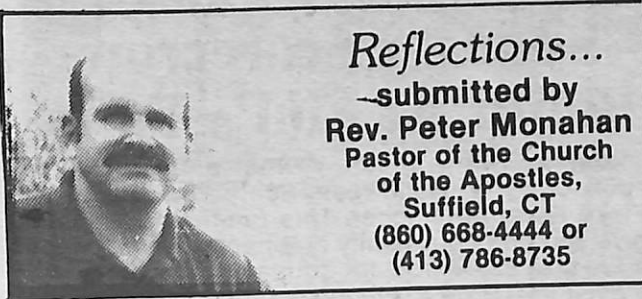
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## The Last Three Chapters Of The Book Of Hebrews...

One of the greatest treatises on the topic of faith in the entire Bible is found in the last three chapters of the Book of Hebrews. Anybody who wants to know God and to increase their faith would do well to study these three chapters of the Bible carefully.

Hebrews 11 starts off with a very succinct definition of faith: "Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen." The chapter then goes on to recount the stories of many of the heroes of faith throughout the Old Testament.

Chapter 12 of the Book of Hebrews then draws our attention to Jesus Christ. It describes Him as the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

We are reminded that Jesus Christ suffered far more greatly than any of the rest of us have. We are encouraged to recognize the hardships of life as discipline from the Lord; as God's way of drawing us closer to Himself and of ridding our lives of unholiness. We are then exhorted not to give up our faith in God, for anything.

Chapter 13 of the Book of Hebrews moves us to a somewhat more practical place of how to apply our faith in God to our day-to-day lives. God, it seems, is not terribly interested in having a bunch of people who are so heavenly-minded that they are no earthly good. These days it is popular to think we can compartmentalize our lives, separating faith from daily life. That is not actually true.

What are some of the practical things we can do to live a life of faith in God on a day-to-day

basis? First, **let mutual love continue.** It has been noted that more of the Ten Commandments speak to human relationships than to the relationship between people and God.

If we are determined to live a life of faith, we must do whatever we can to generate genuine and appropriate affection towards others. One rule of human nature is that our feelings follow our actions. The more we act lovingly towards people, the easier it will be for us to **let mutual love continue.**

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God wants us to be generous towards all people, not just those we like. Jesus said, "But I say to you, **love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven.**"

If we behave graciously towards all other people, even if that's contrary to our present feelings, we will first of all be obeying God. We may also get an extra blessing. **Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.**

Throughout the Scripture, God has expressed a great concern for the downtrodden of society. **Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; and those being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured.**

Jesus once admonished a group of people to be extra careful to remember the poor. "When you give a lunch or dinner, do not invite your friends or your relatives or your rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Other important and practical ways we can grow closer to God include holding marriage — our own, if we are married, as well as all marriages — in honor. We should also keep our lives free from the love of money, being grateful for what God gives us and standing on His promise, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."

Rev. Monahan's "Reflections" is a regular feature of The AAN...

## Single Parent Support Group To Begin At 1st Baptist

The First Baptist Church of Agawam will be hosting a Single Parent Support Group starting the third Saturday in September. This group will meet weekly to discuss areas of concern, stress and growth, experienced both on a personal level and as a society.

The group is intended for parents facing the special challenges of single life. Our mission is to create an environment that restores our continually depleting physical and emotional resources.

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This Sunday at the 9:30 a.m. worship service, Pastor Richard Barnes will speak on "On An Even Keel," using as his scriptural text Philippians 4: 1-19.

John Barber will lead the responsive reading. Greeters for the morning are Joyce Geiger, Olive Huhtanen, and Helen Lockhart.

Children's church at 10:00 a.m. will feature Old Testament stories and related crafts. Nursery care is available throughout the morning.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Deacons at 7:00 p.m. in Lockhart Parlor.

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Plans are underway for the upcoming church school season. To that end, there will be a meeting of the Religious Education and Sunday School committees on Thursday, September 3rd. All members are urged to attend this important meeting.

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Caring Connection contacts for the month of August are Sharon & Doug Grabowski, tel. 860-668-0450. Visiting Committee Chairman is Yvette Ramos Bishop, tel. 789-3624.

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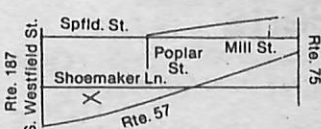
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## Church News - continued...

## Open Pantry To Open Satellite Program At F.H. Congregational

The West Springfield/Agawam Open Pantry is pleased to announce that a satellite of its grocery distribution and advocacy programs will be opening in the Feeding Hills Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, 21 N. Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, on Tuesday, September 15th, at 10:00 a.m.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held outside the church at that time to usher in the new pantry. Mayor Christopher Johnson will be present to cut the ribbon and welcome the new site into the community. Everyone is welcome to attend.

ALL RESIDENTS OF AGAWAM, FEEDING HILLS, AND SOUTHWICK WILL BE REQUIRED TO USE THIS NEW SITE AFTER SEPTEMBER 15TH TO CONTINUE RECEIVING GROCERIES.

All other services will still be available at the West Springfield site at 1023 Main Street. The hours for groceries at the Feeding Hills site will be Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Patrick Kearney, Ed.D., will be available on Thursday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon to assist residents in securing housing and employment, obtaining benefits, and in seeking rehabilitative services for substance abuse. His regular office hours at the West Springfield site on Tuesdays and Wednesdays will be maintained from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Open Pantry Director Jennifer Cummings stated, "The Feeding Hills Congregational Church has been wonderful to us from day one in the planning process of this satellite. Many hungry families from the Agawam and Southwick areas have trouble getting to the West Springfield site for their food because of transportation problems."

She continued, "The church has been gracious enough to offer space to us to allow us to better reach those families in need in their part of town. The fact that they responded to this need shows their commitment to our shared mission of alleviating the effects of hunger in our community."

"We are very grateful to them for their support, and look forward to other churches, businesses, and civic groups in the Agawam area coming on board to help the satellite survive. This is truly a community effort, and we welcome involvement in this new effort from any concerned individual or group who wants to make a difference locally," she concluded.

Please contact Jennifer at the Open Pantry if you would like to become involved, (413) 734-7969.

## Trading Post Prepares For "Re-Opening"

It's "grand re-opening" time for the Trading Post Consignment Shop at First Baptist Church of Agawam (at the corner of Main and Elm Streets).

On Wednesday, September 9th, the shop will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for "take-in" only. Items accepted must be clean, pressed, in style, in season, folded, or on hangers (if needed, we have hangers).

Acceptable items can include small household items, electric appliances, drapes, curtains, blankets, spreads, jewelry, purses, puzzles, and paperbacks.

The "grand opening" for shopping at the Trading Post will take place on Wednesday, September 16th, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

## Weekly Calendar Of News And Notes From Feeding Hills Congregational Church

You are welcome to join with us at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church, which is located at 21 N. Westfield Street in Feeding Hills. Summer worship hour begins at 9:15 a.m.

The lectionary readings for this Sunday, the 13th Sunday after Pentecost, are Proverbs 25:6-7, Psalm 112, Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16, and Luke 14:1, 7-14.

Rev. Donaldson's sermon title is "Getting Personally Involved."

Children are welcome to attend worship with their parents; nursery care will be provided for the very young.

Mark this date on your calendar: April 25, 1999. That is the 200th anniversary of the Massachusetts Conference of the United Church of Christ.

Plan to be at the Worcester Centrum on that day!

Choir rehearsals resume on September 2nd at 7:00 p.m. Now is a great time to join!

## News From St. Anthony's Church & St. Theresa's Church

### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Wednesday: 9:00 a.m., St. Theresa.

Thursday: 7:00 p.m., St. Theresa.

Friday & Saturday: 9:00 a.m., St. Anthony.

Saturday: 4:30 p.m., St. Theresa.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m., St. Anthony; 11:00 a.m., St. Theresa.

Holy Day Vigil: 6:00 p.m., St. Anthony.

Holy Day: 9:00 a.m./6:00 p.m., St. Theresa.

Rosary: One half-hour before daily Mass.

Confessions: Saturday, 3:30 p.m., St. Theresa; Sunday, after 8:30 a.m. Mass, St. Anthony.

### CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

August 29th/30th: CCD Registration after all Masses.

September 1st: 7:00 p.m., Parish Councils of both St. Anthony and St. Theresa meet at St. Anthony's Hall.

September 5th/6th: CCD Registration after all Masses.

September 8th: 6:00 p.m., Holy Rosary Society opening meeting at St. Anthony's Hall; 7:00 p.m., Meeting of all CCD teachers from both parishes meet at St. Anthony's in the Church.

September 10th: 7:45 p.m., St. Anthony's Finance Council to meet in St. Anthony's Rectory.

### CCD CLASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, September 27th: 9:15 to 10:15 a.m., Grades K-6 meet at St. Anthony's Church.

Monday, September 28th: 5:45 to 6:45 p.m., Grades 7-Confirmation Class meet at St. Theresa's Church.

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*"Church News" is another reason why you turn our pages...*

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There will be a meeting of the Agawam Clergy Association held here on Monday, August 31st, at 7:00 p.m.

Pastors and Lay Representatives are asked to attend.

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If you haven't volunteered for our Big E Project, please speak to Matt Granger, Evelyn Nodland, Chris Chapman, or Jackie Gilmartin as soon as possible.

Schedules are being worked on and will fill quickly, so please let them know if you have a special request.

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On the calendar:

Thursday, August 27th: 7:00 p.m., A.A.

Sunday, August 30th: 9:15 a.m., Worship.

Monday, August 31st: 7:30 p.m., Agawam Clergy Association.

Tuesday, September 1st: 7:00 p.m., A.A.

Wednesday, September 2nd: 6:30 p.m., Storowton clean-up; 7:00 p.m., Choir.

Thursday, September 3rd: 7:00 p.m., A.A.

## Weekly Calendar From Ag. Congregational

This Sunday, August 30th, is the 13th Sunday after Pentecost. The Worship Service continues at 9:30 a.m. at Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, Agawam.

The Rev. Dr. Roger Barnett, retired UCC Minister from Northampton and former Pastor of the Edwards Church in Northampton, will be our Guest Minister. His Sermon will be: "Come Up Higher," taken from Text: Luke 10:16.

The Children's Message will be given by Dan Pender, Christian Education/Youth Director.

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The Summer Church School curriculum for church school ages pre-school through sixth grade continues. The program curriculum, "The Whole People of God," will be held downstairs each Sunday following the Children's Message, where there will be one class for all the children attending.

This program will run through the summer months. This week's program will be led by Dan Pender.

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Registration for Fall Church School continues. Church School begins on Sunday, September 13th, for all grades.

The seventh through 12th grade students will meet at 9:00 a.m., and the Crib Room through sixth grade children will meet at 10:30 a.m. (during the Worship Service).

To register or for more information, you may call the church office at 786-7111.

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The Open Pantry item for this Sunday is a canned fruit.

Items collected will be donated to the Agawam/West Springfield Open Pantry.

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## Church News - continued...

## Parish News And Events From St. John's Church

### PARISH PICNIC — AUGUST 30TH

Our annual parish picnic at the VFW grounds is this **Sunday, August 30th, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.**

**Rudy Altobelli** and **Mariann Green** are co-chairs for this year's event.

**Fr. Howard** will lead the roster of **DUNKIES** for the **Dunking Booth** again this year. It is not too late to volunteer for the **Dunking Booth** (over 18 years). Call **Fr. Howard** today.

### YOUTH COMMITTEE

This committee is continuing its study of how best to help meet some of the needs of our younger parishioners. This Committee is still open to suggestions from the parish family.

The Committee meets on the **first Thursday** of each month at 7:30 p.m. Call **Judy Cross** at 786-7664 or the Parish Office at 786-8105.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

(Time is getting short!)

**CCD Registration for 1998-99:** Come to the Parish Office during business hours. All registrations should be in by **September 1st** so the program can get off to a smooth start. *But the earlier the better.*

Child safety had led to a **New Schedule** for classes:

Grades 1-4 — **Saturday** morning, 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. (same).

Grades 5-7 — **Tuesday** evening, 6:15 to 7:15 p.m.

Grades 8-10 — **Monday** evening, 6:15 to 7:15 p.m.

**Confirmation**, Grade 11 — **Monday** evening, 7:30 p.m.

**Classes start September 19th, 21st, and 22nd (Grades 1-10).** Teachers are still needed. Training will be provided. Call **Sr. Fran Gloster**, 786-8105.

### OVER 60 CLUB

The first meeting of the new year will be **September 3rd** at 1:30 p.m. The calendar of events for the year will be presented. All members are welcome, old and new.

### AGAWAM CATHOLIC SINGLES CLUB SCHEDULE

No monthly meetings during July and August. Regular meetings will resume on **Wednesday, September 9th**, at 7:00 p.m. in St. John's Fr. Joyce Room.

**August 30th:** Parish Picnic at VFW. Planning session at 2:00 p.m. Option to help clean up. Call **Denise**, 786-7783.

**August 30th:** Stanley Park — free concert by Northern Lights. Meet at St. John's at 5:00 p.m. Call **Frank**, 789-2764.

### WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Will resume in Parish Center on **September 9th** after 8:30 a.m. Mass. For more information, call **Annette**, 786-4977.

## Nocturnal Adoration Soc. To Meet 9/4

The Nocturnal Adoration Society of Agawam and West Springfield will meet at Saint Thomas Church in West Springfield to conduct and pray the Office of the Blessed Sacrament, **Friday, September 4th** from 7:00 to 11:00 p.m.

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## Guest Minister To Lead Worship Service This Sunday At Agawam Congregational Church

The Rev. Dr. Roger A. Barnett, retired UCC minister from Northampton, will be leading the **Sunday 9:30 a.m. Worship Service** on **August 30th** at the Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, Agawam.

A Springfield native, he was graduated from the former Classical High School and American International College. He earned his theological degrees at Boston University School of Theology.

Rev. Dr. Barnett has pastored four Massachusetts churches; been chaplain and Chairman of Department of Religious Studies at

Williston Northampton School in Easthampton; and Protestant staff chaplain at the former Northampton State Hospital.

He retired in 1994 from the Edwards Church (UCC) in Northampton and has recently completed eight years of service on the Hampshire Association Committee on Church and Ministry.

Rev. Dr. Barnett's Sermon for the service will be: "Come Up Higher." The text will be taken from St. Luke 10:16 - "Whoever listens to you, listens to me; and whoever rejects me, rejects the one who sent me."

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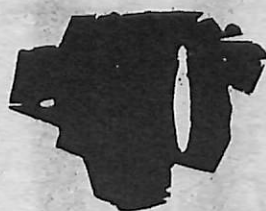
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## Spotlight On Business



### Travel Talk...

by Lori Keeley, CTC  
Travel Connections, LTD  
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#### Northwest Airlines' 30-Day Cooling Off Period: Frequently Asked Questions

At 12:01 a.m. on the 29th of August, there is the possibility of Northwest Airlines calling a strike. For anyone flying on Northwest Airlines after August 29, 1998, you may want to read the following information that was provided to our agency by Northwest Airlines at the end of July.

##### 1. Does today's announcement of an impasse mean the pilots will definitely strike?

No. Northwest is committed to reaching an agreement with its pilots' union without the pain of a strike. We believe that a negotiated settlement remains possible and we will do our utmost to achieve such a settlement. There is no reason why the two parties, negotiating in good faith, cannot reach agreement in the next 30 days.

Today's announcement by the National Mediation Board (NMB) is a step in the process dictated by the Railway Labor Act, the federal law that governs labor relations in the airline industry. The NMB's formal declaration that negotiations are at an impasse triggers a 30-day "cooling off" period. During this time, there can be no strike by the pilots and negotiations can continue. During the cooling off period, Northwest will continue to operate its full schedule.

##### 2. How soon could a strike happen?

The pilots' union must wait at least 30 days from today or sometime after 12:01 a.m. on August 29th before calling a strike.

##### 3. I'm flying in the next 30 days. Should I change my flight plans?

No. Northwest Airlines will continue flying its full schedule throughout the entire 30-day cooling off period.

##### 4. Can you guarantee that my flight won't be

##### canceled by a strike?

If you have travel plans in the next 30 days, we can guarantee that a strike will not disrupt your travel as the pilots are prohibited from striking before August 29th.

If you travel plans fall beyond the next 30 days, we cannot make that guarantee as the decision to call a strike rests with the leadership of our pilots' union. Should such an action occur, Northwest employees will make every effort to minimize any interruption in service that will hurt our customers and the communities we serve.

##### 5. Will my ticket be refunded if my flight is canceled because of a strike?

Should a strike occur, we will make every effort to accommodate you on another carrier at no additional charge to you. If we are unable to do so, we will fully refund your purchase.

##### 6. If a strike is imminent, will Northwest rebook me on another carrier?

We will make every effort to accommodate our customers as best we can. If we can't rebook you on another carrier, or for a later date acceptable to you, your purchase will be fully refunded.

##### 7. Can I cancel my non-refundable ticket now and get my money back?

Until the pilots' union actually initiates a job action, our non-refundable ticket restrictions remain in force.

##### 8. My children were going to fly alone on Northwest later this month. Should I still book them on Northwest or is it wiser to book them on another airline?

Northwest will continue to operate its full schedule during the next 30 days and, as a result, unaccompanied minors are welcome as always. However, because of the uncertainty surrounding a possible strike by our pilots sometime after 12:01 a.m. on August 29th, we will not accept reservations for unaccompanied minors traveling within the United States after August 28th or internationally after August 26th.

##### 9. What if I'm flying on Mesaba, Express I or KML? Will these flights be affected by a Northwest pilot strike?

Northwest will coordinate its planning with its various partners and release detailed information on their level of operations should a pilots' union strike appear imminent.

##### 10. I have an e-ticket. How can I get a new ticket on another carrier if Northwest pilots strike?

Effective immediately, Northwest will begin

converting to paper tickets any e-tickets booked directly with Northwest for domestic travel after August 28th or international travel after August 26th. These replacement paper tickets will be mailed to customers automatically in advance of their first date of travel. Northwest is communicating with travel agents and recommending they do the same for the passengers they have booked. All future e-ticket requests for travel during that period will be converted to paper tickets.

##### 11. I'm planning in the next 60 days to use a frequent flyer ticket that expires this year. Will Northwest honor that ticket into next year if I can't use it now?

Should any of our customers be caught in such circumstances, Northwest will extend the expiration date of those miles so as to allow for their reuse.

##### 12. Will other airlines accept Northwest tickets in the event of a strike?

Should a strike occur, we expect to have agreements in place with all major airlines for the acceptance of Northwest tickets.

##### 13. Will other airlines accept Northwest WorldPerks tickets?

Should a strike occur, we expect to have agreements in place with all major airlines for the acceptance of Northwest tickets.

##### 14. Where can I get more information about my reservation or about the situation in general?

For more information, visit our web site at [www.nwa.com](http://www.nwa.com), call Northwest reservations at 800-225-2525, or contact your travel agent.

Last but not least, we have nine seats left for the Radio City Christmas Show on Sunday, December 6, 1998.

We had a wonderful day on Sunday, August 23, 1998 in New York City. Travel Connections staff, along with myself, escorted 47 passengers on a Morgan Coach to see "The Lion King." What a wonderful show to see for all ages, young and old.

If anyone would like to be part of our mailing list for Broadway shows, call our office or drop us a note in the mail. We are going to try and schedule one trip every month or so ... talk to you next week.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding travel, you can write to Lori Keeley, Travel Connections, LTC, 10 Chestnut Street, West Springfield, MA 01089. Thanks for reading The Agawam Advertiser News.

## THE PIONEER GROUP To Hold Free Workshop

The offices of **The PIONEER GROUP** are sponsoring a free public service workshop entitled "Buying a Home ... What the Banks Don't Tell You."

It will be held Saturday morning, September 12th, between the hours of 10:00 and 11:45 a.m. at the West Springfield Professional Center, 1111 Elm Street, Suite 21, in West Springfield.

Topics to be discussed include the various government federal loan programs that are cur-

rently available to first-time and move-up home buyers; understanding points and closing costs, and how to minimize these fees; understanding seller contributions; the difference between a bank and a mortgage company, and which one offers the better value; and much more.

The information contained in this seminar may save today's first-time and move-up buyers thousands of dollars.

Speakers at the workshop include Donald

Thompson, a Principal of **The PIONEER GROUP**, and Raymond Rose, a retired mortgage banker.

The workshop is free of charge and reservations are suggested (their last seminar was filled to capacity). For more information, please listen to the recorded info message at 846-0981, and for reservations, please dial 731-6800.

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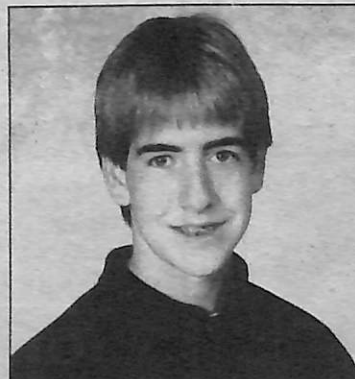


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## Motor Vehicle Negligence

## Intoxicated Driver Swerves - Passenger Thrown

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Skull fracture and closed head injury with left hemiparesis.

## Facts:

The 20 year-old defendant A hosted a party on the back deck of her parents' home; her parents were away at the time and were not aware of the party.

The 23 year-old defendant B bought a keg of beer and claimed it was not intended for the party, but the keg allegedly became the main source of alcohol at the party.

The 20 year-old defendant C brought the 20 year-old plaintiff to the party in his open jeep; it was alleged that defendant C drank a total of at least eight beers from the keg and from bottles supplied to him the night before by defendant D, who did not attend the party.

The plaintiff left the party with defendant C in his jeep. The plaintiff was in the process of putting her seatbelt on when defendant C swerved the jeep as he proceeded down the 500-foot driveway at defendant A's parents' home.

The plaintiff was then thrown from the jeep, sustaining serious injuries. The investigating police officer testified that he did not detect any odor of alcohol on defendant C's breath.

The jury found that defendant D did not provide any of the beer that defendant C consumed; that defendant C did consume keg beer; that defendant A did control the keg and was negligent in failing to prevent or stop defendant C from drinking keg beer; and that the plaintiff was 50 percent comparative negligent. Total damages were \$1.25 million.

Attorney Alan L. Ferrigno maintains an office at 546 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, Massachusetts.

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## The Right Time To Buy...

If you're thinking about buying your first home, here are some facts about homeownership that may help you make a decision to buy soon:

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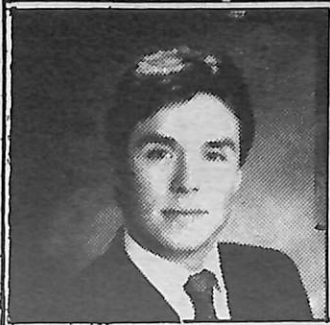
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## Your Back And Your Health

by Dr. Joseph  
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### Back-To-School Chiropractic Examinations Advised

It is during the developmental years of childhood that serious structural problems of the spine have their beginnings.

We see spinal curvatures, or scoliosis, and other structural distortions beginning due to the seemingly harmless ways that our kids grow up.

Chiropractors have long advocated that children should have their spines examined early in life. More and more parents are introducing their children to the chiropractic method of health care because they know that the growing years are the most important years of a person's life.

Witness your child carrying an armload of his or her schoolbooks daily and you'll see some of the stress the spine is subject to. You may have seen one of your children falling off a bicycle or "wiping out" on a skateboard.

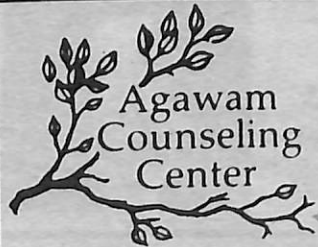
Watch your youngster play football, soccer, wrestling, gymnastics, and you witness hundreds of jolts and jars to his or her body per season. You begin to realize that chiropractic care is important in detecting and correcting any imbalances or misalignments of the spine.

Before the skeletal/spinal system accommodates itself to these maladies, they can be easily and effectively corrected in early childhood.

Children suffer from a variety of ailments/symptoms which are manifestations of the traumas they sustain. Oftentimes, they are treated with medication. Instead, the health problem may be a malfunctioning nervous system. The doctor of chiropractic corrects the underlying cause and the symptoms vanish without the need of medications which may have serious harmful side effects.

Shouldn't your child have a chiropractic examination? Start the new school year off right!!

Should additional information be needed, or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or any member of my office staff at 192 Shoemaker Lane, Agawam, MA 01001 (413) 789-1369 or 789-1073.



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### Caring For Aging Parents - Are You A Member Of The "Sandwich Generation?"

As adults, we find ourselves planning more for the future. We look ahead for our children and family. But what do we do when our parents can no longer manage without our care?

In 1900, only one in 10 couples between the ages of 40 and 60 had one or more parent still alive. In 1990, 56 percent of couples that age had at least two parents alive. According to the latest statistics, one in five families takes care of an elderly parent, giving rise to the notion of the "sandwich generation." More and more adults are now "sandwiched" between care of their young children and care of their ailing parent.

No matter how much we love "Mom" or "Dad," having to take over their care in our 40's or 50's creates enormous stress in our lives. All members of the household are affected. Everyone's routine

may be altered. Seeing one's parents increasingly dependent is a saddening experience.

We may find ourselves facing a life with less freedom, more responsibility, and less privacy than before. We may feel frightened by the changes we see occurring in our loved one. We may feel angry as our life becomes more stressful. We may feel guilty at feeling angry!

Many people have found that sharing these burdens with others in the same boat can be very helpful. Friends learn from each other tricks to balance their new responsibilities with old ones. If my parent has early signs of Alzheimer's disease, what can I expect? What do I do if I want to take a vacation with my family? Sharing the feelings of guilt and worry, the sadness and the humor with others can be a constructive way to help us cope with our new responsibilities.

The Agawam Senior Center, in cooperation with the Agawam Counseling Center, will be hosting a support group for caregivers one evening a month at the Agawam Senior Center. Facilitated by Fran Wall, LICSW, Program Director of the Agawam Counseling Center, and Ellen Bollier, Clinical Nurse Specialist, the group will provide an opportunity to share your concerns, your insights, and your joys.

Won't you join us? The first meeting of the group will be Monday evening, September 14th at 6:00 p.m. Please call Gail Freeman, Executive Deputy Director at the Senior Center (789-7199) to register. There is no charge for the group.

For more information, call Fran Wall at the Agawam Counseling Center (786-6410).

## Peter Savenko, BMC's "Healthful Gourmet," Offers The Following Late-Summer Recipe

Baystate Medical Center's Healthful Gourmet, Peter Savenko of Agawam, offers the following recipe for you to enjoy in the waning days of summer.

"This incredibly flavorful soup is totally cholesterol free and almost virtually fat free," said Savenko, who is manager of Food Service Operations at Baystate Medical Center.

"This soup makes a great tasty treat, especially on a hot day, because you served it chilled," added Savenko. "The recipe is so versatile it simply goes with anything. You can turn it into a vegetable cocktail or it can be an easy snack," continued Savenko.

The recipe uses all fresh ingredients that you can find in your garden.

Don't miss Baystate's own Healthful Gourmet, Peter Savenko, every Wednesday event at 5:00

p.m. on WGGB-TV 40, with more recipes "To Your Health."

### GASPACHO SOUP

1½ cups v-8 juice (regular or low salt)  
½ cup fresh tomato (diced fine)  
½ cup fresh cucumber (diced fine)  
¼ cup fresh green bell pepper (diced fine)  
¼ cup fresh red bell pepper (diced fine)  
1 tsp. garlic (chopped fine)  
1 tsp. cilantro (chopped fine)  
1 tsp. tobasco sauce

In a medium-sized mixing bowl, combine all of the above ingredients and stir thoroughly until evenly blended. For best flavor profile, chill overnight.

Serve in a bowl as a soup, or in a glass as a vegetable cocktail.

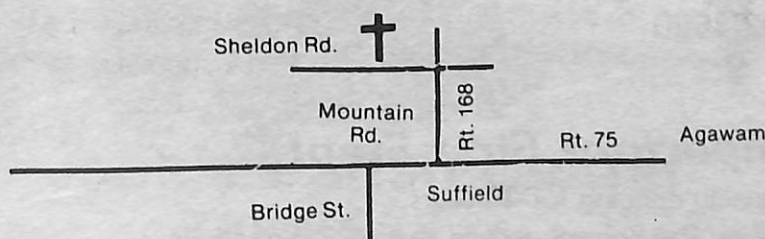
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## Food for Thought

by Nancy Dell  
Registered Dietician

### Control Hypertension Without Medication...

High blood pressure affects 50 million Americans — especially men. Now there's a new approach to prevent and treat high blood pressure. In the past, people concerned about hypertension and heart disease may have cut milk from their menus.

But emerging research suggests a reduced fat diet that includes low-fat or fat-free milk products, fruits, and vegetables can actually help lower blood pressure — even as much as some medications in people with mild hypertension.

David McCarron, M.D., is a Professor of Medicine at Oregon Health Sciences University. He says, "Calcium and other minerals appear to be the key. So that means you need to think about adding certain foods to your diet, like low-fat milk, to lower blood pressure."

The latest study, called DASH (or Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension), found that a lower fat diet that included three servings of low-fat or fat-free milk products and eight to 10 servings of fruits and vegetables, lowered blood pressure significantly in people with mild hypertension. This diet is now a part of the National Institutes of Health's strategy to prevent hypertension.

In addition to following the DASH diet, other steps you can take to help prevent hypertension include control your weight, stop smoking, limit alcohol, and exercise regularly.

It's also important to monitor your blood pressure regularly. Because many people don't know their blood pressure is high, it's called the silent killer.

## Support Groups, Courses, And Programs Offered By Noble Hospital In Westfield

### SUPPORT GROUPS

**Alcoholics Anonymous:** Sunday evenings, 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. In Conference Room A at Noble Hospital, 115 West Silver Street, Westfield.

Free of charge. All are welcome.

**Stroke Support Group:** Wednesdays, September 2nd, 16th, and 30th, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. In the Bronson Rehabilitation Center Dining Room at Noble Hospital.

Free of charge and open to individuals recovering from a stroke and their support persons. The topics of discussion at these meetings will be announced.

**Diabetes Support Group:** Tuesday, September 22nd, 1:00 p.m. In Conference Room A.

Free of charge and open to individuals suffering from diabetes and their support persons. The topic of discussion for this meeting will be announced.

**Better Breathers:** Wednesday, September 9th, 2:00 p.m. In Third Floor Cardiopulmonary Classroom at Noble Hospital.

Free of charge and open to individuals with respiratory or pulmonary difficulties.

At this meeting, Thomas A. Tremblay, RRT, CPFT, will present the topic "What can pulmonary rehabilitation do for me?"

### COURSES/CLINICS/PROGRAMS:

**CPR Course:** Wednesdays, September 16th and 23rd, 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. In Noble Hospital's Education Department/Ground Floor.

This two-part course provides American Heart Association Adult, Child, and Infant certification. The cost of the course is \$45.

To register or obtain more information, call Noble Hospital's Education Department at (413) 572-5172.

**Free Athletic Injury Clinic:** Thursdays, September 3rd and 17th, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. At Noble Hospital's Sports & Rehabilitation Center, 76 Main Street, Westfield.

During this clinic (which is held on the first, third, and fifth Thursdays of every month), athletic injuries are evaluated by a certified athletic trainer and, based upon the evaluation, remedial exercises or physician referral may be recommended.

For an appointment, call 562-3522.

**"Hearts and Flowers":** A heart-smart BBQ dinner and informational retreat presented by Noble Hospital and Stanley Park. Tuesday, September 1st, 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. At The Pavilion at Stanley Park, Westfield. Cost: \$8 per person.

\* 3:00 P.M.: Reed Shneider, M.D., Board Certified Cardiologist - "Relaxation and a Healthy Heart".

\* 3:45 P.M.: Baiqing Li, Tai Chi Master Instructor - "Demonstration of Tai Chi."

\* 4:15 P.M.: Mark Lavoie, Executive Director of Stanley Park - "Informal Discussion in Herb Garden." (Light refreshments will be served.)

\* 5:00 P.M.: Robert Rivest - "Robert Rivest Mime Theater Performance."

\* 6:00 P.M.: "Heart Smart BBQ Dinner." Available for Q & A - Tricia Porter, R.N., B.S.N., Director of Cardiac Rehab, Noble Hospital, and Lynne Jasak, M.S., R.D., Registered Dietitian, Noble Hospital.

Seating is limited and advance registration is required. For a registration form or additional information, call Noble Hospital's Health Beat at (413) 568-2328.

**Cosmetic/Plastic Surgery with Dr. Gary Russolillo:** Tuesday, September 15th, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. At Noble Hospital, 115 West Silver Street, Westfield.

Gary E. Russolillo, M.D., will present a lecture about Body Contouring Surgeries, Lip Enhancements, Facial Surgeries, and Skin Care Procedures. Also included will be a live chemical peel demonstration.

The presentation will be followed by a complimentary personal consultation. Registration is free, and seating is limited.

Pre-registration is required. To register, call Noble Hospital's Health Beat at (413) 568-2328.

**Bronson Rehabilitation Unit at Noble Hospital Sponsors Annual Picnic In Honor of "National Rehabilitation Week":**

In honor of "National Rehabilitation Week" (September 13th-19th), the Bronson Rehabilitation Center at Noble Hospital in Westfield is sponsoring a picnic for past and present patients and their families.

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The picnic will be held on Tuesday, September 15th, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the Mill Street lawn of the hospital.

The picnic will be free of charge, fun, and informative. Please call 572-5151 if you plan on attending.

(In case of rain, the event will be rescheduled.)

**Female Incontinence (Find Out More About It!) with Dr. Ronald Catanesi:** Monday, September 21st, 6:00 p.m. In Conference Room A at Noble Hospital.

More than 15 million American women suffer from urinary incontinence! Come join us and learn more about the most common forms of Female Urinary Incontinence, the factors contributing to this problem, and the newest treatments available.

This lecture is free of charge and open to all. Seating is limited.

Pre-registration is required. To register, call Noble Hospital's Health Beat at (413) 568-2328.

**Smoking Cessation - "Forgetting Cigarettes":** Sundays, September 20th and 27th, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. In Conference Room A at Noble Hospital.

This two-part program utilizes hypnosis to eliminate your desires for smoking and allow you to forget cigarettes forever. Presented by Joe Barako, R.N. and Certified Hypnotherapist.

The registration fee is \$40 and is paid the evening of the first session. Seating is limited.

Pre-registration is required. To pre-register or for more information, call Noble Hospital's Health Beat at (413) 568-2328.

**Beginner and Advance Level Tai Chi Classes to begin September 15th:** Series of 12 Classes with Master Instructor Baiqing Li will be held on September 15th, 22nd, and 29th; October 6th, 13th, and 27th; November 3rd, 10th, 17th, and 24th; December 1st and 8th. Beginner Level, 5:00 p.m.; Advance Level, 6:15 p.m. Cost - \$108. Classes will take place in Conference Room A at Noble Hospital.

Advance registration and deposit required. A \$70 non-refundable deposit must be prepaid with registration. Registration deadline September 11th. Balance of \$38 is due by November 3rd.

Class size is limited. To register, make check payable to Noble Hospital and mail to: Noble Hospital, P.O. Box 1634, Westfield, MA 01086-1634, Attn: Community Benefits.

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**Set For Sunday, September 20th...**

## Agawam Teacher Joining Three-Mile Walk To Raise Money For Children's Cancer Fund

by Kathy Cassanelli  
News Editor

There was no formal group dedicated to bringing moments of fun and enjoyment to children afflicted with childhood cancer when friends and family rallied around a Feeding Hills family fighting for a young boy's life.

Eight years after her son's successful battle with cancer, Clark School teacher Nancy Swikalus will be putting on her running — no, make that walking — shoes for a three-mile trek to raise money for Griffin's Friends, a grass roots organization made up of a group of caring and committed volunteers at Baystate Medical Center Children's Hospital. This group offers its time and talents to "bring moments of joy to courageous kids."

"When I first learned about the group, I felt it was my obligation to do something to help, especially since everyone we know was so good to us when our son was sick and there was nothing like Griffin's Friends to help kids and their families," Mrs. Swikalus said.

The First Annual Fun Walk to benefit the Children's Cancer Fund will be held on Sunday, September 20th, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Westover Air Force Base in Chicopee, rain or shine. The walk will cover three easy miles to accommodate wheelchairs, strollers, and even wagons. No pets, bikes, or rollerblades, please.

After learning about the volunteer group from the mother of a former student battling cancer, Mrs. Swikalus signed on to help put up posters explaining the walkathon in grocery stores, video stores, and virtually anywhere she could get permission, to raise awareness throughout the community. Volunteers across Western Massachusetts are doing the same in their towns and neighborhoods.

The idea is to give new meaning to the phrase "extended family," according to BMC Child Life specialist Maureen McCarthy.

"What's unique about this is that we're bringing back a lot of our old families as well as the families and friends of our patients at the hematology/oncology clinic," Ms. McCarthy said. "Our families are encouraging their children's friends and classmates, even their soccer teams, to get involved. This is something even a five year-old can do."

The walkathon will give friends and family members of children dealing with cancer the chance to do something tangible to help by

assisting Griffin's Friends in bringing toys, play equipment, arts and crafts supplies, as well as entertainment and activities to the in-patient unit and the pediatric oncology clinic, Ms. McCarthy said.

"So often, people want to help a family dealing with childhood cancer, but they don't know what to do," Ms. McCarthy said. "Joining the walkathon or sponsoring a walker is something anyone can do. We made sure it would be a very flat, easy walk because we wanted the kids to be able to do it."

### "Every Cent Goes To The Kids..."

Ms. McCarthy said all of the money raised by Griffin's Friends benefits the kids at the BMC Children's Hospital. "Every cent goes to the kids. There are no salaries paid from the fund, and everyone working for Griffin's Friends is a volunteer," Ms. McCarthy stressed.

Ms. McCarthy said the cancer fund grew out of one close-knit family's struggle as their daughter's battle with childhood cancer exemplified the ordeal and fortitude of many children. Griffin's Friends began as an inner circle of family and friends and has been widening out to include an ever-extending family over the last five years.

Organizers of next month's walkathon are hoping to raise some money, but more importantly, they're hoping to keep that family extending in order to continue bringing children the "toys and joys" of childhood far removed from their pain, fear, and the experiences of medical treatment.

Proceeds from the Fun Walk will be split between Griffin's Friends and the Child Life Department at the BMC Children's Hospital. Each year, the fund sponsors holiday parties, trips, shows, sporting events, and a picnic as well as the toys, games, and crafts for the children at the clinic. The Child Life Department includes the hospital school teacher and staff members who educate, support, and offer the children the chance to be kids while undergoing medical treatment.

Besides sponsoring or becoming a walker, people can help Griffin's Friends by volunteering in preparing for the event or during the day of the walk. For more information, contact Maureen McCarthy at 794-8600 (voice mail 49745).

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## For Your Health - continued... Fitness Tip...

by Carmela A. Kirk, R.N.  
Fitness Consultant, Fitness First

### Exercise During Pregnancy...

Pregnancy is a very healthy, natural state to be in. Most women have no complications or problems with having a baby.

Even though it is perfectly safe and natural, it is still important to stay in contact and have regular visits with your health care provider. If the person you trust to watch over your pregnancy gives you the okay to exercise, then you are clear, as long as you keep a few things in mind.

Not only does the fetus rely on you for all nutrients, vitamins, and minerals, but also your oxygen. When you exercise, especially at higher intensities, your body will narrow or constrict blood vessels that go to areas you are not using, like your digestive organs. It will open up or dilate vessels that lead to areas you are using, like your muscles. Your blood is carrying the oxygen that your body needs and is very efficient at depositing it to where it is needed.

The rule of thumb used to be not to let your heart rate go above 140 beats per minute. Research has taught us that different women can go higher than this heart rate and remain safe. Other women are unable to safely reach this heart rate.

The concern is that at a higher rate your body will redirect your blood supply away from your uterus to provide your muscles with the oxygen they are screaming for. This concern is still very real. You see, when given an ultimatum, your body will take care of itself first.

If you have been exercising regularly and are knowledgeable about exercise, continue. Do not push your anaerobic threshold. That is, don't become and stay out of breath for any amount of time.

A good intensity is an endurance intensity, about 65 to 70 percent of your maximum heart rate. If you have not been exercising at all, this is not a great time to begin a complex program. Going for walks and remaining active is appropriate and safe after you've spoken to your health care provider.

I highly recommend learning your target heart rate and monitoring it always; I insist on it if you are pregnant and taking one of my classes.

If you belong to a gym, the staff certainly can provide this for you. If not, consult your health care provider. They will want to know about your plans of exercise and can help you find information that is important for you.

## American Heart Association Offers The Following "Heart Healthy" Recipes

The American Heart Association offers the following recipes as part of an overall healthful eating plan. Total fat intake should be less than 30 percent of your total calories for a day, not for each food or recipe.

### TOASTED RAVIOLI (with Italian Salsa)

16 ounces frozen low-sodium beef ravioli (30 pieces)  
Vegetable oil spray  
1/4 cup non-fat or low-fat Italian salad dressing  
1/2 cup dried bread crumbs  
1 1/2 teaspoons salt-free Italian herb seasoning  
**Italian Salsa**  
1 14.5-ounce can no-salt-added tomatoes with juice  
1/2 small red onion, quartered  
1 hot banana pepper, or 1/2 green bell pepper, seeded and ribs removed  
1 tablespoon fresh oregano or 1 teaspoon dried  
1 tablespoon chopped fresh basil or 1 teaspoon dried  
1 clove garlic, halved, or 1/2 teaspoon bottled minced garlic  
1 teaspoon balsamic vinegar or red wine vinegar  
1/4 teaspoon sugar  
Vegetable oil spray

Cook ravioli according to package directions, omitting salt and oil. Drain and cool for at least 10 minutes.

Meanwhile, lightly spray 2 baking sheets with vegetable oil spray. Set aside.

Using a pastry brush, lightly coat top of each ravioli with dressing. Place on baking sheets.

Mix bread crumbs and herb seasoning. Sprinkle over ravioli. The ravioli can be refrigerated for up to 8 hours at this point.

Place all salsa ingredients in a blender or food processor and process for 15 to 20 seconds. Set aside. (Salsa will keep in the refrigerator for up to 4 days.)

Preheat oven to 400°F. Lightly spray tops of ravioli with vegetable oil spray. Bake the ravioli for 9 to 11 minutes. Drizzle the salsa over the ravioli or use the salsa for dipping. Serves 10 as an appetizer.

**Nutrient Analysis Per Serving**  
126 kcal calories; 6 gm protein; 20 gm carbohydrate; 7 mg cholesterol; 220 mg sodium; 2 gm total fat; 1 gm saturated fat; 0 gm polyunsaturated fat; 1 gm monounsaturated fat.

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### WARM MUSHROOM SALAD

1/4 cup port, sweet red wine, or frozen unsweetened apple juice concentrate  
3 to 3 1/2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar or rice vinegar  
2 tablespoons water  
3 cloves garlic, finely minced, or 1 1/2 teaspoons bottled minced garlic  
12 ounces fresh mushrooms, cut into 1/4-inch slices  
1 teaspoon light margarine  
1/8 teaspoon freshly ground pepper, or to taste  
4 leaves Boston lettuce  
1 teaspoon chopped fresh parsley

In a non-stick skillet, heat port, vinegar, water, and garlic over medium-high heat until small bubbles begin to form.

Add mushrooms and cook, stirring frequently, for 8 to 10 minutes, or until all liquid evaporates.

Add margarine and pepper. Stir to coat evenly. Arrange mushrooms on lettuce leaves and sprinkle with parsley. Serve warm.

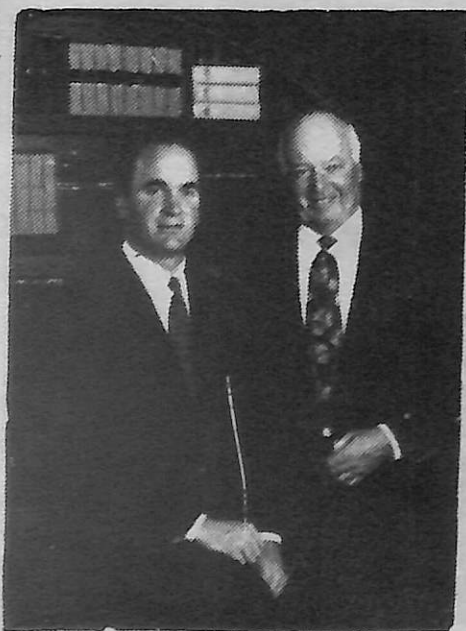
Serves 4.

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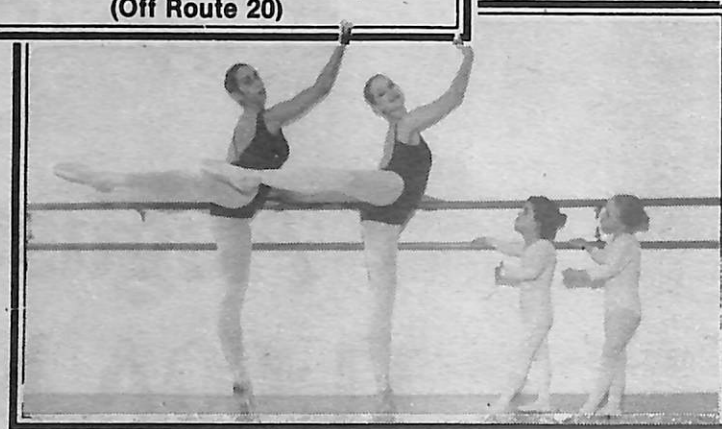
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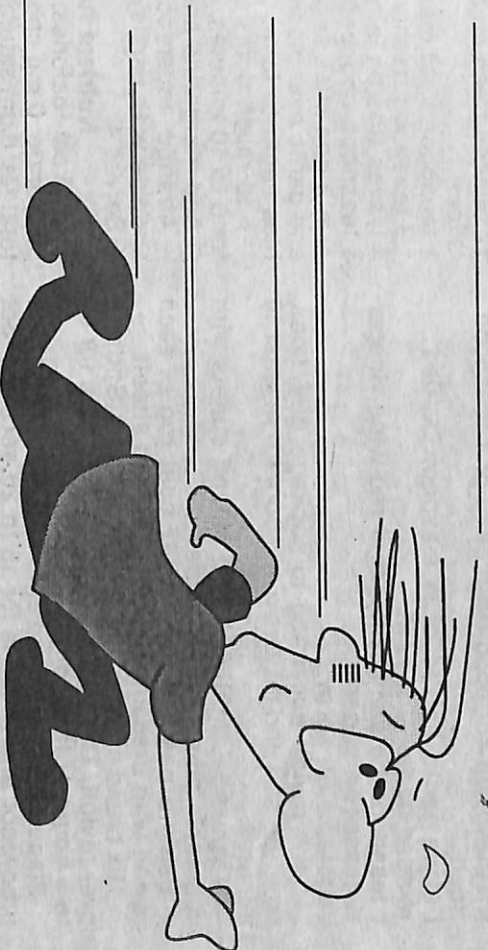
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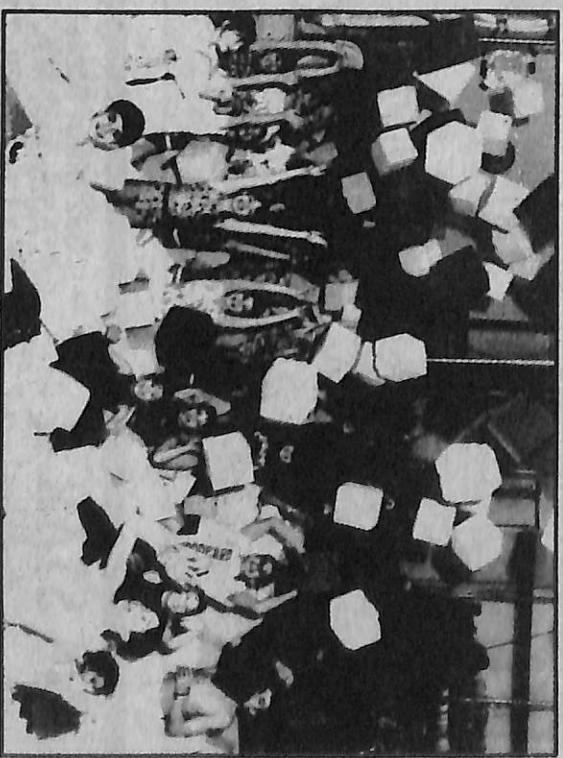
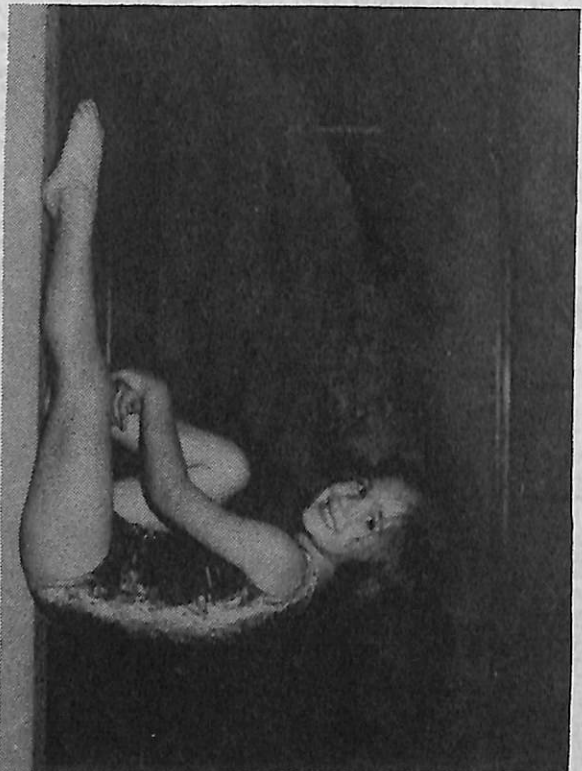
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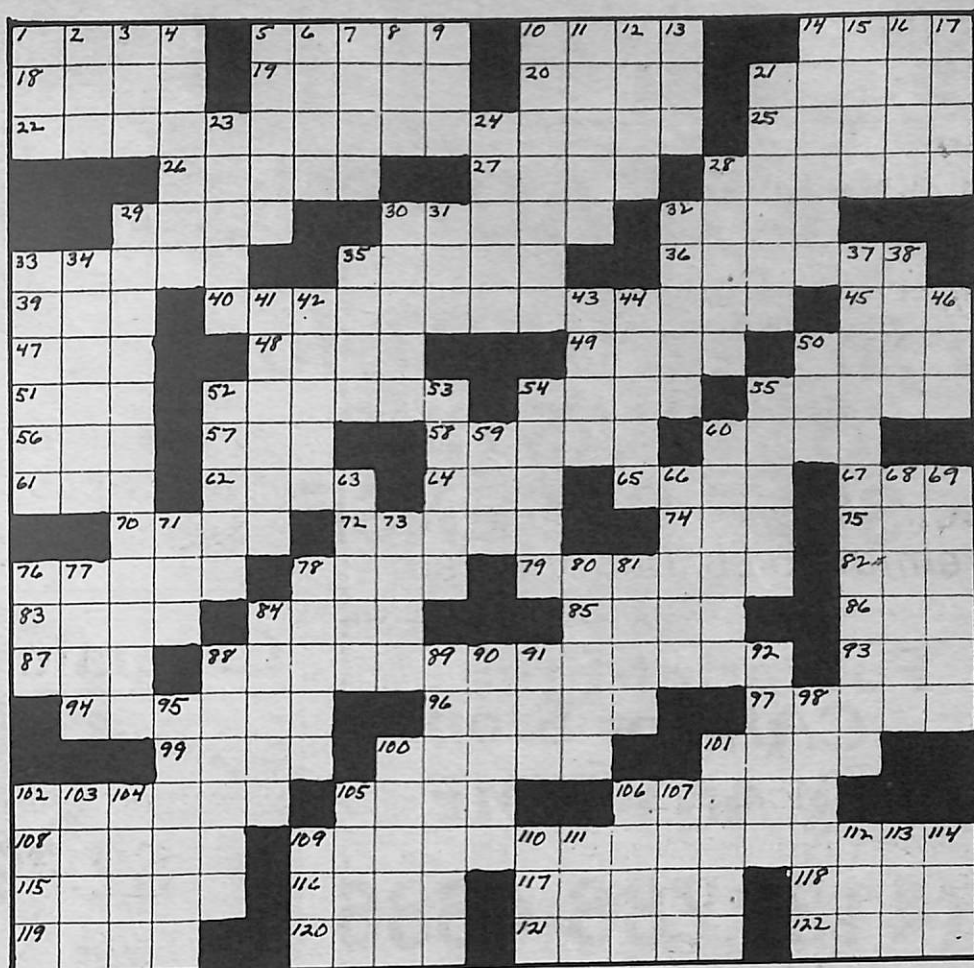
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## ACROSS

- 1 "Shane" portrayer
- 5 Antonio's teacher
- 10 College house for short
- 14 "—, California"
- 18 "It's a sin to tell —"
- 19 Intense light beam
- 20 Capital of Italia
- 21 Pay
- 22 Merchant and mariner of 88A
- 25 French school
- 26 Mountain crest
- 27 Smell to high heaven
- 28 Begins
- 29 "Like — of bricks"
- 30 Portents
- 32 Wedge to level with
- 33 Witches' town
- 35 "Lend —" (assist)
- 36 Loving gesture
- 39 Meadow
- 40 Morgiana
- 45 Tea in China
- 47 California fort
- 48 Water jar
- 49 Patriot Nathan
- 50 Throat clearer
- 51 Roll of bills
- 52 Playing marbles
- 54 Fence entrance
- 55 Top out
- 56 Extraterrestrial intelligence (abbr.)
- 57 "The Isle of —"
- 58 Khan's golden group
- 60 Window part
- 61 Lair
- 62 Lawyers (abbr.)
- 64 Portuguese coin
- 65 Add a hitch
- 67 Ancient times
- 70 Sml, md, or lge
- 72 Make butter
- 74 Honest one
- 75 Fish eggs
- 76 French miss
- 78 Complainer
- 79 Eddies
- 82 Hole in one
- 83 Exam type
- 84 Travel around
- 85 Pot builder
- 86 Hit on (slang)
- 87 Actress Rita
- 88 Collection of Arabic tales
- 93 Dined
- 94 Church toppers often
- 96 "— Carlo"
- 97 Arn
- 99 Lapel despoiler
- 100 Fathers
- 101 Actress Adams
- 102 Came close word
- 105 Pretense
- 106 Fruit-filled pastries
- 108 Film "Superman" portrayer
- 109 Cassim
- 115 Floor squares

## Meet The Master

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- 116 Question a group
- 117 Fanon
- 118 Sandusky's Lake
- 119 This (Sp.)
- 120 Depend on
- 121 Propelled a row-boat
- 112 Refute
- DOWN**
- 1 "— Vegas"
- 2 Clay today
- 3 Noise
- 4 Argue
- 5 Pilgram John
- 6 Helm played by Dino
- 7 Arthur of tennis
- 8 Golfers' starting point
- 9 Agency under fire
- 10 Word with Romans and countrymen
- 11 Actors' gigs
- 12 Go crazy (with run)
- 13 Goopy stuff
- 14 Turned into
- 15 God of love
- 16 Leave at the altar
- 17 Sweetsop
- 21 Leave the workplace
- 23 Kitchen smell
- 24 Omni for one
- 28 Barber's job

- 29 Magical genie caller of 88A
- 30 Chicago airport
- 31 Fairie queen
- 32 Weight measurer
- 33 Decreased speed
- 34 Put in the bubbly
- 35 Aid in crime
- 37 Narrator of 88A
- 38 "— no lady"
- 41 Diplomat
- 42 "— a girl just like..."
- 43 River running fish
- 44 Procrastinator's word
- 46 Amount (abbr.)
- 50 "— Longa..."
- 52 Astound
- 53 House greenery
- 54 Smiles broadly
- 55 Ann and Cod
- 59 Over to a poet
- 60 Share the rent
- 63 O.R. nurse
- 66 Famous Mother
- 68 Find
- 69 More intense
- 71 Feeling poorly
- 73 Mata the spy
- 76 Shipping lane problem

- 77 Saving programs
- 78 Sea-land region
- 80 Bides one's time
- 81 "Bus Stop" playwright
- 84 English river
- 88 Springs up
- 89 In a friendly manner
- 90 Actress Shearer
- 91 Compass direction
- 92 "— say" (sorry words)
- 95 "— parade"
- 98 Wrote down in order
- 100 Scam artist's helper
- 101 Went wrong
- 102 Comic Johnson
- 103 Hilo adorners
- 104 Thaw
- 105 "— gin fizz"
- 106 Russian ruler of yore
- 107 Ready and willing partner
- 109 Rainy month
- 110 Halloween word
- 111 Macaw
- 112 Charlemagne's empire
- 113 One in Bonn
- 114 Actor Aldo

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## Hilltop Players Announce Auditions For Fall Musical

THE HILLTOP PLAYERS Family Theatre announces auditions for its fall production, the musical "CARNIVAL" by Bob Merrill and Michael Stewart, on Sunday, August 30th, and Monday, August 31st, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at THE RED DOOR THEATRE, 152 South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA.

"CARNIVAL" tells the story of young Lilli, an 18-20 year-old orphan who comes to the Grande Imperial Circe de Paris to work for an old friend of her father's. She is taken into the rundown circus, owned by B.F. Schlegel, and befriends many of its cast.

Lilli brings sunshine and joy to the circus, mesmerizing not only her circus friends but audiences as well. Marco the Magnificent, the featured magician, sets his designs on her, as he does all the young women of the world. His faithful assistant, Madam Rosalie, isn't happy about this and works on Marco to get him to marry her.

Lilli ends up working with a puppeteer named Paul and his puppets, Carrot Top, Horrible Henry, Margarite, and Renaldo. But, Paul is a bitter young man who used to be a famous dancer until he was sent to war, where he was wounded. He falls in love with Lilli, but treats her so horribly that she cannot see his love.

Just as the circus features many exotic and interesting characters, "CARNIVAL" has its fill of the same and promises to be a fun production for all.

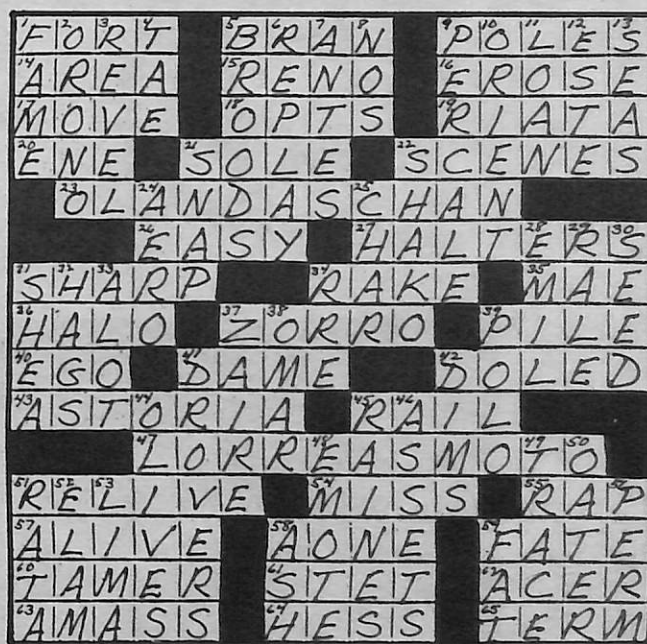
If you are interested in auditioning, you must be between the ages of nine and 60, and you must PREPARE A SHORT MUSICAL PIECE TO SING WITH THE PIANO. You will be asked to read from the script.

There are only a few roles for young people, and these will be posted on the wall outside the theatre during audition days. There are some non-singing roles for adults.

Rehearsal nights will be Sundays (6:30 to 9:00 p.m.) and two other weeknights to be selected after casting. The show dates are October 16th, 17th, 18th, 23rd, and 24th.

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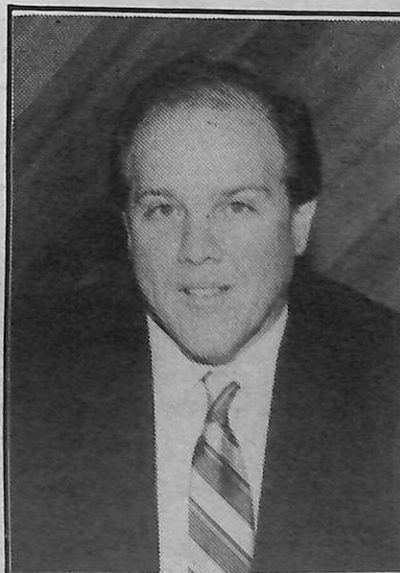
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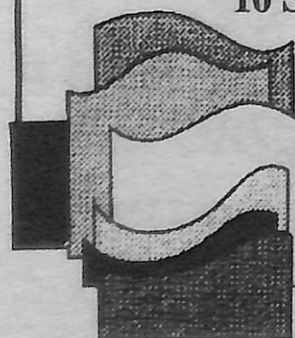
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## Education

### "Safety Bug" Prepares First-Time Bus Riders...



LAST FRIDAY, AUGUST 21ST, the Agawam Junior Women's Club held its annual "Safety Bug" program (above and below) for the benefit of schoolchildren who'll be riding the bus for the first time this fall. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



#### Steve Bodurtha On Dean's List At Bowdoin

Stephen K. Bodurtha of Agawam, a member of the class of 1999, was named to the Dean's List with Honors for the spring semester of the 1997-1998 academic year at Bowdoin College, located in Brunswick, Maine.

At Bowdoin, students are named to the Dean's List with Honors when they receive all A's in their courses during a given semester.

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#### Agawam Schools' Weekly Lunch Menu

**Wednesday, September 2nd:** Oven-baked chicken nuggets, potato rounds, honey, seasoned diced carrots, bread and butter, chilled fruit cup, milk.

**Thursday, September 3rd:** Steamed frankfort in roll, Boston baked beans, seasoned niblet corn, apple crisp, milk.

**Friday, September 4th:** Grilled cheese sandwich, pickle chips, tossed garden salad with spinach greens and dressing, ice cream, milk.

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# Final Sign-Ups & Try-Outs Scheduled AAA Basketball Suburban & CYO

(Sign up at start times and then tryouts begin immediately.  
Those who already have signed up need not sign up again.)



## Girls 5th/6th grade teams:

**Tuesday, September 8th, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Junior High**

**Tuesday, September 15th, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Junior High**

**Tuesday, September 22nd, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Junior High**

The AAA is planning to field a 5th/6th grade girls A team and B team. The final sign-ups will be on September 15th, with September 22nd being used as a final date for tryouts if necessary.

## Girls 7th/8th grade teams:

**Tuesday, September 8th, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Junior High**

**Tuesday, September 15th, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Junior High**

**Tuesday, September 22nd, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Junior High**

The AAA is planning to field a 7th/8th grade girls A team and B team(s) if the numbers warrant. The final sign-ups will be on September 15th, with September 22nd being used as a final date for tryouts if necessary.

## Boys 5th/6th grade teams:

**Friday, September 11th, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Junior High**

**Friday, September 18th, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the High School**

**Friday, September 25th, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Junior High**

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## 3rd & 4th Grade Boys & Girls

The AAA hopes to field a 3rd/4th grade boys team and a 3rd/4th grade girls team in the area CYO league. This league is developmental and competitive. Sign-ups only will be Tuesday, September 8th, and Tuesday, September 15th, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Junior High.

**PARENTS:** The AAA is a long-time member in good standing with both the girls and boys Suburban Basketball Leagues and girls and boys CYO Leagues. The AAA is a private, non-profit organization comprised of volunteer coaches who live in Agawam and Feeding Hills. The AAA works in close cooperation with the Town of Agawam to coordinate use of town gyms. For further info, call AAA President Bob Hersey at 786-2979 (between noon and 4:00 p.m., weekdays), Vice-President Scott Skolnick at 786-0111 (evenings), or Secretary Ric Sardella at 786-7747 (days) or 789-2005 (evenings).



## James Clark PTO Announces Members For 1998-1999

The James Clark School PTO has announced its members for the 1998-1999 school year:

President, Carla Chase; Vice-President, Cathy Blood; Secretaries, Lori Fenton and Cheryl Wagner; Treasurers, Michelle O'Meara and Kelly Birchenough; Hospitality, Maria Lynch and Angela DePalo.

There is still an opening for Ways & Means (fundraising). Please call Carla Chase at 789-3846 if you are interested in that position.

The first PTO meeting will be on Tuesday, September 8th, at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. All parents are invited to attend.

The PTO is also continuing the following programs: General Mills "Boxtops for Education," A-Plus America for Technology, and Big Y Education Express.

Please save your boxtops and UPC codes and send them to the school. You may sign up at Big Y to donate your points to James Clark School (I.D. number 5936).

Finally, parents please note that school pictures will be taken on Wednesday, September 9th. We are looking for several volunteers to help the photographers by checking the completed order forms and grouping students according to picture background.

Those interested should call Carla Chase at 789-3846.

## St. John's Cub Scout Pack 77 To Hold Open House On Sept. 15th

St. John's Cub Scout Pack 77 will have its open house on Tuesday, September 15th from 6:30-8:00 p.m. All boys from grades one through five who are interested in joining Cub Scouts are invited to come visit us at the church hall.

Interested boys and their parents are welcome to come meet current leaders, parents, and Cub Scouts. The boys will have previous projects, crafts, pinewood derby cars, and photos on display along with Cub Scout literature available.

Parents who are interested in becoming active in a den and/or with the pack are always needed. Dens meet from two to four times a month, with a monthly pack meeting at the church hall. We also participate in Yukon Derby, Tiger Quest, Scout Nite at the Falcons, family camping, family hikes, bottle drive fundraiser, pack and regional pinewood derby, etc., etc. Please plan on stopping by St. John's church hall on Main Street to find out more about being a Tiger, Wolf, Bear, or Webelo. You may also call Ed Abraham (789-3587), Jay or Cathy Blood (786-5103), or Marcia Barker (786-3666).

## Danielle Petrangelo Earns Degree In Law Enforcement At STCC

Danielle Petrangelo recently received an Associate in Science Degree with a concentration in law enforcement from Springfield Technical Community College.

She was also named to the Dean's List for the spring semester. While at STCC, Danielle played on the women's soccer team and served as the team's captain.

Danielle will attend Westfield State College in the fall to pursue a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice. She is the daughter of Frank and Margaret Petrangelo of Feeding Hills.

### LEGAL NOTICE

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#### TOWN OF AGAWAM AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL APPROVED ORDINANCE TOR-98-4

An Ordinance to Amend Agawam Zoning Ordinance-Town Code-Chapter 180 by adding Article XIV entitled Adult Businesses.

Said Ordinance is of a length too cumbersome for publication. Accordingly, copy of said ordinance is available for reference at the office of the City Clerk, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. Monday through Friday.

PER ORDER OF THE AGAWAM CITY COUNCIL  
Donald M. Rheault, President  
Agawam City Council

Published: August 27, 1998

## Judith N. Schachte Receives Physician Assistant Scholarship

The Physician Assistant Foundation announced it has awarded \$128,000 to 57 deserving PA students through its 1997-98 Annual Scholarship Program.

Quinnipiac College is pleased to report that one of its students, **Judith N. Schachte** of Agawam, was the recipient of a \$2,000 scholarship sponsored by Searle.

With more than 360 students submitting applications this year, the PA Foundation received the largest number of applications in the program's history.

The Physician Assistant program at Quinnipiac College trains qualified individuals to be highly skilled members of the health care team, who, under the supervision of a physician, provide diagnostic and therapeutic patient care. Currently, there is a tremendous demand for this sought-after professional who works in several health care facilities ranging from private practices to tertiary care hospitals.

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## West Spfld. Boys And Girls Club Has Offer For Middle-Schoolers

The Town of Agawam is lacking for after-school and school vacation care for children of middle school ages. The West Springfield Boys & Girls Club on Main Street has agreed to run a bus to the Middle School in Agawam after school and transport the students to the club to participate in their program if we can get a minimum of 10 students to participate.

The club is open until 8:00 p.m. each weeknight. The cost of the program is only a \$75 membership fee yearly and \$15/week for transportation. There is an additional fee for school vacation weeks.

Anyone interested in participating in this program should contact Ed Souliere at 786-0058. He is gathering a list of names to present to the club for their consideration.

## Junior High Slates "Seventh Grade Orientation Night"

In an effort to welcome and familiarize incoming seventh grade students with their new school, the Agawam Junior High School will conduct a "Seventh Grade Orientation Night" on Tuesday, September 1st, at 7:00 p.m. in the Junior High auditorium.

At that time, students and parents will have the opportunity to tour the building and to acquaint themselves with school policies and programs as reviewed by school principal Kevin C. Littlefield and assistant principal Marc V. Costanzi.

To make it easier for seventh graders on opening day, signs stating teachers' names and room numbers will be placed throughout the building, and additional teachers will be assigned to home-rooms to help with lockers and class schedules.

Both seventh and eighth grade students will attend opening-day classes on Wednesday, September 2nd.

## Some First Week Of School Information From Agawam High

During the first week of school, teachers will be giving to students class expectation handouts. Students will be instructed to take the handout home to read and to have the handout signed by a parent or guardian. The signed expectations will then be returned to the appropriate teachers. If a parent would like a copy of the class expectations, let the teacher know on the class expectation handout that it is to be returned.

All students are encouraged to purchase locks. Remember, it is your responsibility to protect personal and school items to the best of your ability.

Just in case it slipped your mind, the high school starts promptly at 7:25 a.m. **IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT YOU LEAVE HOME EARLY.**

### AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE DISTRIBUTION

Your 1998-1999 school schedule will be given to you on Wednesday, September 2nd, the first day of school. When you arrive to school on Wednesday, your schedule will be available at the following school locations:

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| Elementary Spanish 1   | (3 credits) |
| Theories of Personality  | (3 credits) |
| Classes are held from 6:15 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. (3 credits) or 6:00 to 9:45 p.m. (4 credits.) |             |

### Semester Schedule

Classes begin on Tuesday, September 15, and end on December 15.

For further information, please call STCC Continuing Education at 781-315.

### Registration

You may register at Agawam High School from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. only on Tuesday, September 15, pending seat availability.

You may register now at the main campus, in person, by phone, or by fax; call 781-1315. Hours are Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to noon. Visa, MasterCard, and Discover are accepted.

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## Sports

"What Did You Do This Summer?"...

# AHS Coaches Reflect On Their Hazy, Crazy, & Not-So-Lazy Days Of Vacation

by Dave Rollins  
Sports Editor

When I attended high school, it was pretty much general knowledge that most of the kids didn't really pay that much attention to the teachers. They were, for the most part, people who appeared at the start of the day and, except for those who also coached or were involved in other extracurricular activities, vanished when the final bell chimed.

What they did or where they went was somewhat of a mystery, which none of us felt compelled to solve.

Many of us were more concerned with what was on the chalkboard in the lockerroom and those sweaty tests of machismo on the playing fields. The stuff on the classroom blackboards and those other kinds of tests were just a necessary evil.

Well, teachers and coaches are people, too. They look forward to the summer and a break from the pressure of their very vital jobs. And, like the kids, they hopefully influence in a positive manner, summer also ends for the coaches, too. And they have to face the challenges and occasional traumas of another school year. So, we thought, instead of asking the kids what they did during those lazy, crazy days, we'd question the fall coaches, who this week greeted their teams on the playing fields of Agawam High School.



DEAN VECCHIARELLI

### A Milestone Of Sorts

Varsity football and girls' track Coach **Dean Vecchiarelli** reached a milestone of sorts. "I shot the best round of my golfing career over the summer; a 67 at the St. Anne's course in Feeding Hills, he smiled.

Vec also worked for the Summer Youth Employment Program. "I was field supervisor, which meant going around to different job locations to make sure the kids showed up," he said. The coach got to play some softball, as a third and first baseman in the Agawam Men's Slo-Pitch and Springfield Men's Slo-Pitch leagues. Aside from those endeavors, he also "hung out" with his wife, Michelle, his three year-old son, Mike, and his daughter, Angela, who was born last March.

Did he think much about football while frolicking in the sun? "Yeah, it's never that far from my mind," Vec admitted. A week ago, he started meeting with his coaches. The team started non-contact practice on Monday, August 24th.



KIRK PARKER

Freshman football Coach **Kirk Parker** says he mostly worked around his house and took time to relax. "I stayed in town for the most part," he noted. The coach also works this fall in the Agawam Youth Football Program, where he has been a long-time coach. He admitted his freshman team, which went 5-2 last season, was never far from his mind. "I have about 22 kids signed up already. I'd like to see a roster somewhere around 30."

He also noted that **Chris Benjamin** will be back to run the freshman defense while **Joe Bianca** will handle the special teams and the offense.

Varsity boys' soccer Coach **Dwight Northrup** was nowhere to be found - at least not in these parts. But we found him. The coach ran the soccer program at an upscale camp in Lenox for kids with money to spare. "It costs \$7,000 for the summer to attend this place. Four-hundred kids were there," he noted.

The coach also pointed out that this might have been one of the best summers of his life. "It could be. Besides running the soccer camp, I also got a chance to attend a Pittsfield Mets game with actor Christopher Reeve and a concert at Tanglewood (which is just up the road from the summer camp) with Steven Spielberg. Tanglewood is beautiful. In the morning, I'd work out by running around the grounds there," he smiled.

Even though he admitted summers don't get much better than the one he had, the varsity soccer program at AHS was always on his mind.

"Yeah, it will be great to get going again. I have some very positive feelings about this season," the coach said.

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GLENN OLSON

## On The Road

Junior Varsity Coach Glenn Olson, who is also a soccer official, was on the road for a week - in Minnesota. "I went out in June to officiate games in the USA Cup, which features the best high school players in the country."

He described the soccer complex there as amazing, with 65 full-sized fields spread over many acres. "I think it's in the Guinness Book of Records. And if it isn't, it should be," he laughed.

Olson is also the varsity skiing coach and ran his inline ski camp, which helps kids get ready for the alpine season.

the summer, with Coca Cola in the Pioneer Valley Summer Soccer League and coached the U-14 boys in the PVSSL. "I'm looking forward to coaching the freshmen. It should be a challenge," he said.

Varsity girls' soccer Coach Mary Murray spent her summer way out on Cape Cod, working at her brother's health and fitness business in Provincetown.



MARY MURRAY (standing, far left)

"He spells it a little differently, though. Instead of 'muscle,' it's the Mussel Beach Health Club, like the thing you find at a clambake, which, since we're at the ocean, is appropriate," she laughed.

She worked about 25-28 hours a week. In her spare time, she went to the beaches of the Cape Cod National Seashore. "I got my beach pass as soon as I got into town. It is beautiful down here." She also took time to visit her parents, who now reside in Falmouth. Like many of the other coaches, she also worked out. "When it rained, I used the club's equipment. I also swam a lot. I fell pretty good."



LYNDA KUNASEK

Yes, the girls' soccer team was never far from her thoughts. "I told them to be in shape, be ready. They are very good at following instructions, so I don't think there will be any problem when camp opens this week. I anticipate a good season," the coach said.

Junior Varsity Coach Lynda Kunasek, who also coaches the freshman girls' basketball team and the JV softball squad, stayed in the area because she has to attend to her cleaning business. "I took up golf over the summer and found that I really enjoy the game. So far, I've played at several courses around the area. It's a humbling game. But I'm learning something new every time I go out on a course," she smiled. Kunasek admits it's tough to see the summer wind down. But she also noted that the excitement of the athletic season will make up for it.

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JEFF ROUSSEAU

Jeff Rousseau is the new freshman soccer coach. He is also a soccer referee and was with Olson in Minnesota. Rousseau also officiated at the Youth Development Games in New Jersey and the Eastern Regionals in Pennsylvania. He also turned pro as an official, joining the Division III pro league. Rousseau was busy with his Agawam Sunday Night Summer Soccer League, which held their playoffs last Sunday at the Polish American Club in Agawam.

Rousseau also played a bunch of soccer during

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CARLA LEMNAH-WARNER (kneeling)

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Carla Lemnah-Warner is in her third year as the girls' varsity field hockey coach. Her summer was spent partly entertaining her sister-in-law, who was visiting from Houston, Texas. "We became tour guides, showing her around New England," the coach said. They then headed out to Kansas City and St. Louis visiting relatives. While there, they took in a St. Louis Cardinals game.

Another summer project for the field hockey coach was getting in shape. "I told the kids way back that if they ran, I'd run and match their mileage. I expected them to show up at training camp in top shape. Therefore, I'd show up the same way. I've been running five to six miles a day. Of course, they're younger than me, but all things being equal, I'll be fit when practice starts."

There will be a new freshman field hockey coach, according to Lemnah-Warner; former player Kate Berry, who takes over from Kelly Hellstein of Agawam.

Golf Coach Paul Bachini got back from Cape Cod last weekend. "We went down there a couple times during the summer. But most of my time was taken up watching my 13 year-old son, Mike, play baseball and my daughter, Danielle, play softball," he noted. Danielle, who also plays field hockey, will be a sophomore and is a promising pitcher for the softball Brownies.

Two New Athletic Programs

Agawam has two new athletic programs this year; cross-country and volleyball. Bill Dillon, the boys' track and field coach, was hired to head up the cross-country team. "I stayed home with my kids, Sean, who is eight, and one year-old Robin, while my wife, Debbie, worked," Dillon told us.

The coach, who is a teacher in the Agawam School System, also swam when he could and rode his bike two or three times a week to get in shape. He had been the cross-country coach at West Springfield High and got the Agawam job last July.

He went about choosing the places his kids will use as a training course by purchasing a program for his computer, which showed all the possible cross-country courses in the area. "It saved a lot of time because I didn't have to drive all over the place to check out the various courses. The program showed their length and the lay of the land," he said of his high-tech technique.

So far, he sees Robinson State Park as his number one choice. "It goes through the woods and has different terrain. I think the kids will love it," he said. Both boys and girls will compete together in this sport. So far, a fair number have signed up. "Hopefully, more kids will get interested as the start of the season approaches," Dillon observed.

Angela Sullivan will enter her third year as the girls' varsity gymnastics coach. "I mostly worked during the summer, part-time at a pizza parlor and teaching summer school at Longmeadow High School," she said. She admits the extra money above and beyond her regular teaching salary will come in handy. "I'm getting married next year, so every little bit helps," Sullivan smiled.

She said that as the fall season got closer, thoughts of gymnastics became stronger. "Yeah, we should have a good team again. We lost only one senior, Lindsey Mason, so the experience is still there." AHS was the Western Mass. champs last fall.

Indeed, there is life after school for the teachers and coaches.

## Important Back-To-School Information For Fall Athletes At Agawam High School

All candidates for the Agawam High School varsity, junior varsity, and freshman soccer teams should report to the High School athletic fields at the times listed below.

Each candidate must have an MIAA Physical Examination Form signed by both the doctor and a parent/guardian before he can participate.

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## A Golf Star's Summer On The Links...

# Junior Tournaments Provide Experience And Competition For Chris Rousseau

by Dave Rollins  
Sports Editor

Golf is a cruel game. Anyone who has ever played it, from hacker to world class pro, knows how fast you can be humbled. (Case in point: Corey Pavin, from U.S. Open winner to basket case.)

Agawam High's Chris Rousseau is far from being a hacker or a basket case. Someday he would like to be that world class pro.

But this summer was indeed one of discontent for him. Chris will be a senior this golf season at AHS. He brings with him quite a resume: three years on the All-Western Mass. team, the Western Mass. champion in his sophomore season, and a runner-up berth last year.

He expected to add to that list of accomplishments with a tough summer schedule. In July, he played two of the best tournaments you can get as a junior — The Buick Junior Open in Michigan, which is an adjunct to the PGA Buick Open, and the Optima International in West Palm Beach, Florida. August saw him compete in the Hartford JC's Junior Classic at the Wethersfield course in Connecticut, the J and H Marsh & McLennon Tournament in Rye, New York, and a junior tournament in Bellingham, MA.

Chris admits he could have done better than the scores on the board beside his name indicated. At the Buick, he tied for 26th with a best round of 76. The Optima really got his attention.

"There were 216 kids from around the world at that tournament. I played with junior golfers from Brazil and Venezuela in the first round," Chris noted. The cut line was the 50 best. Chris came in at 60.

He finished 23rd at Wethersfield, with a best round of 75. At Rye, he had a low round of 74, which snagged him a 32nd-place finish. It might have been better, but the roof caved in at New York.

"The final round at the Apowamis Country Club up in Rye was one of the worst I've ever shot," he admitted.

### His Toughest Course This Summer...

The toughest course he played this summer was at the PGA National in West Palm Beach.

"There were no hills, but water was everywhere; and if it wasn't water, sand traps made up for it. It's a Jack Nicklaus-designed course with one unbelievably tough hole called the 'bear trap.' Sometimes there were both water and sand on a fairway, which made it like a gun barrel. We were laying up, using irons off the tee. The whole thing

was intense," Chris said, noting that the competition at that tournament was the toughest of the summer.

Which brings Chris to the doorstep of the schoolboy fall Division I golf season. "Right now, I'm playing the worst golf of my life," he said. "I don't have the distance off the tee. I look at the kids who can really drive it long and try to copy them. It's not working," he added.

His plan for this season is this: "I want to average one under par for every round I play in the 20 matches on our schedule."

To that end, Chris plans to start taking some lessons from Eric Nelson, the young teaching pro at Oak Ridge. "Eric is very fluid with his swing and is very patient with a good mind set. I think he can look at me and teach me how to get back on track because I need some direction at this stage of my career," Chris said.

### Working On His Game...

For now, Chris is working on his game, as he has done since he first picked up a club.

"I must always get on the green in regulation. My history is that I get into trouble so often, I've become very good at getting out of it. Because of that, many of my putts are 30 to 40 feet. I can lag a putt with anyone. But then, I have problems from 10 feet to the hole," the All-Western Mass. golfer said.

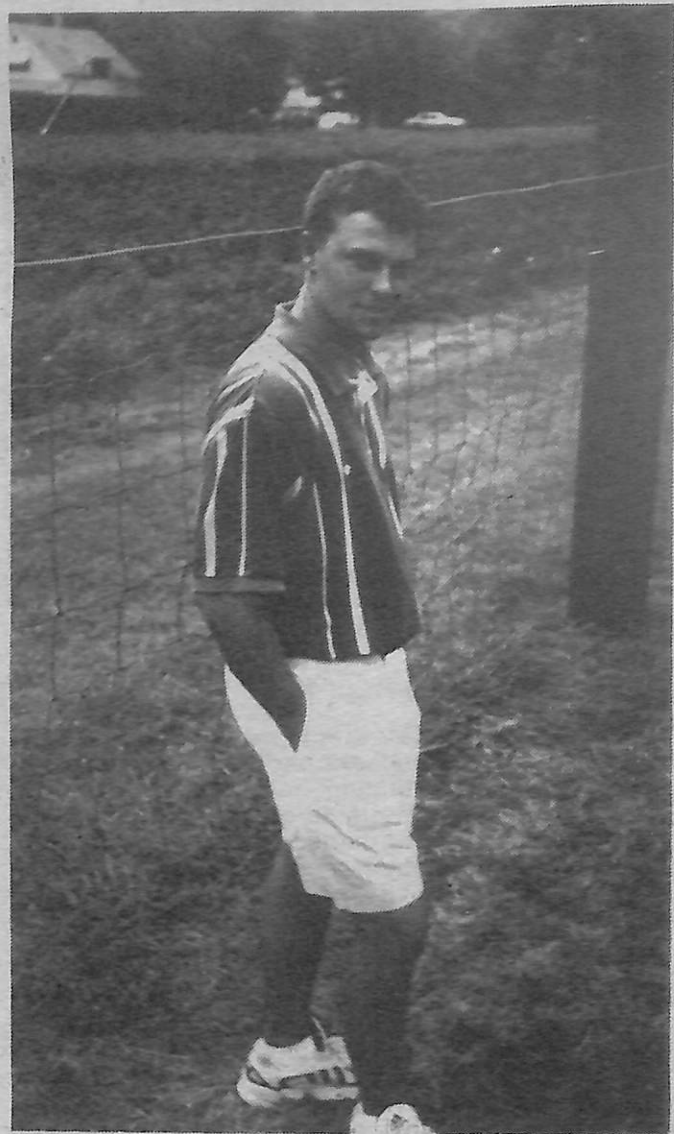
So, does this seem like a sad story so far? Not true. "Besides having the ability to get out of trouble, I can chip with the best of them. Around the fringes of the green, my confidence level is at its best," he stressed.

We talked to him last Saturday after he'd gone out for a practice round. "I played very well. In a way, I went back to the basics — what got me on the All-Western Mass. team, what enabled me to win the Western Mass. championship."

Chris is an honest person: "I learned something from this summer's competition — maybe I'm not as good as I thought I was."

That's a question every athlete has to confront at some time in their career. Luckily for Chris, it has come early and, because of his talent and propensity for hard work, can be overcome.

He added this, which tells you a bit about his character: "If I'd played my game, I would have finished in the top 10 in every tournament I entered this summer."



CHRIS ROUSSEAU, who will be a senior this year at Agawam High School, is looking forward to his last season of schoolboy golf as a member of the Brownies. Advertiser News photo by Dave Rollins.

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# Displaying "Brownie" Pride... New AHS Sign Graces Harmon Smith Field

by Dave Rollins  
Sports Editor

It seems every time you blink, there is something new at Agawam High School. I'm not talking necessarily about the additions to the school itself, but interesting things that pop up in the area of the athletic complex.

Over the past few years, we've seen new dugouts for boys' baseball and girls' softball, two new outdoor basketball courts, and most recently, a big, stand-out sign celebrating Agawam High sports, hanging from the back of the Harmon Smith Field scoreboard (facing Mill Street). The sign reads, "Agawam High School - Home Of The Brownies."

It is impressive. The sign (and if you haven't seen it yet, look for it) is the brainchild of Athletic Director Kathy McSweeney with the help of many people in town. She explains: "Our school has the best athletic complex in the area as far as I'm concerned. We have the best boosters and the best fans. Anything we can do to enhance how we feel about ourselves and our programs should be given a great deal of attention. I'd thought about something like that (the sign). People came up to me with the same idea and reinforced my belief that it should be done."

It was done. "Because of the financial policies of the town when it comes to projects over \$1,000, we had to get bids from companies who could do such a thing," she said. A purchase order went out. Three companies came in with bids McSweeney could live with.

In the end, the Moren Sign Company down on Ramah Circle in Agawam was chosen to do the job. Gary Moren, a former graduate of AHS (1976), submitted his design along with all the others. "We looked at all of them and decided on what you see up there right now," McSweeney said. The sign is vinyl, computer-cut lettering on an aluminum frame which measures 10 feet by 18 feet. The orange and brown colors are sprayed on in layers. It took two days to build, one more for the lettering, and a day for the spray application. It was raised in three hours. "It will last a very long time," Moren told us.

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Some Tips For Getting In Shape...

## Stratton Stresses The Importance Of Conditioning

by Dave Rollins  
Sports Editor

The living might be easy during the summer-time, but if you're an athlete and about to endure the rigors of fall high school training camp, life can get pretty tough very fast, especially if you aren't ready for double sessions and the like.

One guy who knows the price the jocks will pay if they don't pay the price of getting in shape is Agawam High School athletic trainer Dave Stratton.

"When the kids show up as they are doing this week, one of the first things I ask them is, 'Did you put in your time, running and working out?' he said. "And I tell them, 'Don't lie to me because I'll know it.' They don't because they know I know," he added.

According to Stratton, that is the biggest problem kids showing up to start the season face — not putting in the time getting into shape so they won't spend half of their pre-season practice sessions heaving on the sidelines.

"All of them, boys and girls, should have started working out around the third week of July. The coaches expect they'll do what they've been told to do and be ready. That has to be the most important consideration when starting the season," he said.

The ones who start workouts two weeks before training camp will be hurtin' for certain, according to the trainer. "They'll suffer all sorts of aches and pains that are totally unnecessary for people their age," Stratton noted.

He stressed that most team leaders, captains, seniors, and some others come ready to go. Others, maybe with less experience or commitment, don't anticipate the stress of double sessions or are bored with the tedious process of getting their bodies ready for battle. And the hot and humid conditions that generally greet the annual opening of fall sports in August don't help, either.

### Injuries Associated With Not Being Ready...

Overuse injuries are usually ones associated with not being ready. "I see a lot of tendonitis problems in ankles, knees, arms, and shoulders," he said. Stratton keeps files on just about every kid in an attempt to head off problems before they get worse.

"If and when a kid is injured, I take down all the pertinent information. Some have a history of injuries which can be controlled somewhat by exercise and staying in shape. The coaches and myself pretty much know where everyone stands going in," he told us.

Stratton stressed that the early-season injuries are usually different from the ones that come along after the kids are fit and playing. Then there are the sprains and fractures, torn cartilage and ruptured tendons, et al. "Sports involve contact. Those things are going to happen. We have to be ready to deal with them," he said.

There are some other considerations a trainer and the coaches must face — very serious ones. A few weeks ago, two high school football players from separate towns in Kansas collapsed and died after long workouts in stifling heat.

"That is a concern for all of us. Things like that happen when the kids aren't given enough time to acclimate themselves to the heat. It's particularly true of football, where they have to wear equipment, including a helmet. We all are able to recognize the symptoms of heat illness. The kids workout in gym clothes with only a helmet for the first three days of practice, as per MIAA (Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association) rules.

"And the coaches make sure the players are hydrated, with water breaks every half hour and more frequently if it's really hot and humid," Stratton said.

### "... Stay Away From Carbonated Beverages ..."

He added, "It's also important that the kids stay away from carbonated beverages, caffeine, and sugar, if they can, before practice. Those sports drinks aren't necessary either, unless you are going for an intense three hours. Our bodies are made up mostly of water. That's what must be replaced."

Was the subject of heat illness and its consequences addressed during his days at Springfield College? "Absolutely. Many coaches also attended those classes for certification," Stratton said.

There is no doubt many parents were concerned when they read of that double tragedy, as they must have been when several wrestlers around the country also died because of attempts to meet a weight limit by starving and sweating themselves to exhaustion.



**WITH THE FALL ATHLETIC SEASON** almost upon us, Agawam High School athletic trainer Dave Stratton (center of photo) is ready to meet (and treat) the needs of the Brownies.

Advertiser News photo by Dave Rollins.

"The parents have fears that must be addressed. They need to be informed and assured that their kids are under the best supervision possible," Stratton noted.

He is currently putting together a file with articles from many sources, including the Internet, on the risks to athletes and how to deal with them. He will give that information to any parent who requests it.

"Sports are meant to be enjoyed not only by the kids, but the parents as well," he stressed.

Such dangers, though rare, don't seem to impress the kids, who have an idea that they might

live forever. "Their biggest concerns at this age are the ramifications of not being in shape, getting advice from teammates which is not always accurate, and dealing with the pressure put on them by their peers. I'd say not many of them knew about those deaths, but I'll bet most of their parents did," Stratton noted.

In the end, Stratton is confident the kids will be in good hands as they strive for excellence in Agawam High athletics, and he'll be virtually everywhere and anywhere the athletes are now that the fall sports season is underway.

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## Sunday Night Soccer Wraps Up Its Fourth Season

by Dave Rollins  
Sports Editor

Last Sunday, August 23rd, saw the completion of the Agawam Sunday Night Summer Soccer League's fourth season. They celebrated with the usual playoffs and the league championship game. The affair was held at the Polish-American Club in Feeding Hills. League founder, former Agawam High School star Jeff Rousseau, was all smiles.

"We had 183 players from all over the area in the league this year, including the new women's division. We were so full I had to turn people away," remarked Rousseau.

The playoffs included some tough competition in a league open to just about all age groups. "We have one guy playing who is about 54," Rousseau pointed out. On both the men's and women's leagues, there are former high school and college stars, such as Agawam's Kristen and Karen Patterson, Dina DeMarco, and Courtne Hyland. Others are still in high school and college.

Rousseau, for instance, now plays for WNEC. He was on Team France in the SNSSL, which lost in the quarterfinals. Current AHS players like Barry Ward, Adam Blair, Dave Gallerani, Jay Flood, and Dave Thomas (among others) filled out a number of rosters.

The semis saw the top four men's seeds in action. Number-one Romania beat fourth-seeded Brazil, 1-0. And second-seeded Argentina got by third-seeded Croatia, 3-2, in a shootout. The women had top-seeded Norway pitted against number-two Germany in their finals. "Glenn Olson, Mike Domaingue, and I did the draw. Things turned out just about as we expected," Rousseau smiled.

Norway beat Germany, 4-1, to take the women's crown. However, there was a mild upset among the men — Argentina, at number two, beat favored Romania, 3-2, as the darkness slowly engulfed the playing field.

Team Argentina drew first blood with a score at the 3:08 mark off the toe of Brian Machos. Argentina, behind Machos, Dave Federico, and Dave Thomas, spent a lot of the early minutes in the Romanian zone. However, the top-seed busted out at the 6:30 mark on a goal by Jon Ashwell, who lives in neighboring Suffield but originally hailed from Manchester, England (with his British accent very much intact).

The Argentineans carried the action back into the Romanian zone. Their persistence paid off at 12:03 when Barry Ward, a senior-to-be at the High School, dribbled in on the right side and launched an unassisted score from 15 feet out to give Argentina a 2-1 lead.

### An "Inspirational" Great Save...

With time running out in the half, the top seed's keeper, Brandon Donovan, made a great save that inspired his mates. Romania struck back. Sandu Rebenciv, who had an assist on the first Romanian goal, scored one himself to tie it up with under a minute left. There is a story behind him. He really is a Romanian, complete with the accent.

Before the game, he smiled, "Yes, I'm from that country. I wasn't planning on playing for this Team Romania, but this is where they put me."

The half ended at 2-2. Each team had three shots on goal.

Romania had the momentum to start the second half. Rebenciv just missed one by a foot to the left side of the Argentina net with two minutes gone. At the 5:00 mark, Romania was buzzing the Argentinean goal. The effort saw a blast from the middle of the field, 20 feet out. It was turned away on a nice effort by keeper Evan Machos, a soon-to-be ninth grader at AHS.

There was 6:20 off the clock when Jay Flood set up in front and drove home a score from 30 feet out to put the number-two seed up, 3-2. Despite a big effort, Team Romania couldn't crack the Argentinean defense, thus the upset with the trophy going to the second seed.

Argentina had three second-half shots on net for a total of six. Romania managed three as well for a total of six.

For all the hometown sports, you turn our pages every week ... AAN!!!



**TEAM ARGENTINA**, the men's 1998 champions in the Agawam Sunday Night Summer Soccer League: back row - Mike Thomas, Dave Federico, Brian Machos, and Dave Thomas; front row - Chet Comee, Evan Machos, Jay Flood, and Barry Ward. Advertiser News photo by Dave Rollins.



**MEMBERS OF TEAM NORWAY**, which captured the women's crown in the Agawam Sunday Night Summer Soccer League: back row - Desiree Marsili, Erinn Gloster, and Jennifer Reid; middle row - Melissa Troie; front row - Judy Trevethan, Dina DeMarco, Courtne Hyland, and Natalie Creanza. (Missing from photo: Brooke Hollister, Jill DeMarco, and Carrie Janik.) Advertiser News photo by Dave Rollins.

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*With The Labor Day Weekend Almost Here...*

## Soccer Enthusiasts Gearing Up For The 14th Annual Riverside Classic

by Dave Rollins  
Sports Editor

Please don't take this the wrong way, but the Riverside Soccer Classic is a bit like the wild American turkey. You know, that magnificent fowl that just got beat out by the bald eagle as our national bird.

Well, according to people who are educated in such matters, the turkey should never be able to fly. That's the Riverside Soccer Classic in a nutshell — you don't think it should ever get off the ground. It's just too big. Too ungainly. But fly it does, in a magnificent manner, at that.

"On Saturday morning, September 5th, when it starts, the whole thing — teams, volunteers (of which there are close to 500), concessions, security, and other aspects of it — will gear up and essentially run itself. It's amazing," noted Dave Shaw, first-year president of the Agawam Soccer Association. The Classic, now in its 14th year, will cover three days over the Labor Day Weekend.

Each team (there are 121 of them this year, in classes for boys and girls, ranging from U10's up to U14's) is guaranteed a minimum of four games over two days. The ones with the best records in all divisions play for their respective championships on Monday.

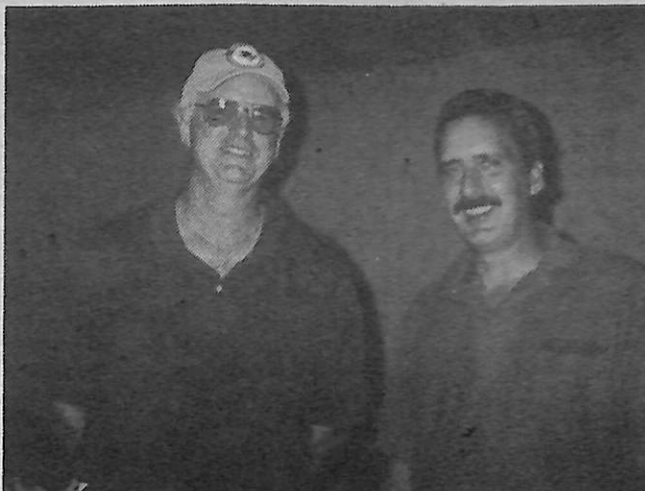
The festivities will be held at four sites — Agawam High School, the Junior High, Phelps School, and Robinson Park. There will be 13 fields involved. At the Planning Committee's next-to-last meeting Monday night at the Italian Sportsmen's Club in Agawam, final business was being discussed. "We've been doing this, one long night a month since last December. It's coming together," Shaw said tiredly.

Now that the meetings are almost over, he was able to explain what is a very complicated venue.

First, things haven't changed much this year for the 1998 Classic. "We do have something that we feel will be exciting, though," Shaw noted. "The 'Make-A-Wish Foundation' has joined us. To raise money, the ASA will conduct a raffle where they'll give away a soccer ball autographed by the New England Revolution of the MSL. There will also be shirts autographed by the Western Mass. Pioneers and members of the UMass women's soccer team, which will, by the way, play national power Arizona State at Harmon Smith Field on Saturday night."

### Cooperation From The Town Of Agawam...

One thing that has greatly impressed all of the people working with the Classic is how cooperative the Town of Agawam has been.



JIM STEVENSON (left) and DAVE SHAW of the Agawam Soccer Association are all smiles when it comes to the Riverside Soccer Classic. Advertiser News photo by Dave Rollins.

"Mayor Christopher C. Johnson, Parks and Rec Director Mary Keller, Chief Groundskeeper Mike Piccin, DPW Superintendent Jack Stone, and Building Maintenance Director Tony Albro have all been with us," Shaw smiled. He attributed the situation to a meeting held earlier in the year where everyone sat down and hammered out who was supposed to do what and when.

As usual, there will be several loyal, long-time sponsors on board once again. Riverside Park and The H.P. Hood Company are two big ones, and Berkshire Power will also contribute. "And we can't forget all of our sponsors who buy space on part or all of a page in our tournament program book. We'd be hard-pressed without them," he said.

With so many teams and many coming from places like Portland, Maine, New Jersey, and Nashua, New Hampshire, accommodations will be needed. The Holyoke and Springfield Holiday Inns will help out, along with the Sheratons at Monarch Place and Bradley Airport. The Double Tree in Windsor Locks and West Springfield's Quality Inn are two more places where the out-of-town soccer teams can hang their heads.

Set-up for the Classic will begin Friday afternoon, September 4th, at about 3:00 p.m. At 6:00 a.m. on Saturday morning, the pre-game

festivities will start. "First will be the hot coffee to get our engines going, then the fun begins," Shaw laughed.

One unique aspect of the Classic is how they secure the many sites when the sun goes down. Volunteers will roll out their campers or their tents and stay the night at all the fields. "We have no choice. Striking all the nets, concessions, and the like every evening and setting them up early in the morning would be too much. So it's a mini-camping trip for some of us," Shaw said.

He noted a lot of card games are played and coffee consumed during the night shift. "I did it once for another event that required overnight attention. And on that weekend, a hurricane happened to skirt the area. My camper was rising off the ground and the tent next to us was levitating. It was wild," he recalled.

### Volunteers And Traffic...

There are, of course, some problems that always have to be addressed. Two big ones, according to Shaw, are finding more volunteers and traffic. "We have a core of veterans who know the routine by heart. The new ones have to learn and this thing is so big that even with the 500 we have, it never seems to be enough. It's a tribute to all of them that they are able to make things go so smoothly."

Traffic has always been a big concern. "Because of the amount of people we draw, it's something that will never go away as long as the Classic is held here in town," Shaw admitted.

"The police do a good job controlling the cars. But it's a big assignment even for them," he added.

Shaw said that the problems are something they have learned to live with because the bottom line is so sweet. "This event, in three days, according to our figures, pumps more than \$250,000 into the area's economy. The participants and fans go to Riverside Park and the Speedway, the Basketball Hall of Fame, restaurants, retail stores, and many other places," Shaw smiled.

There is something else that is also important. "The Riverside Classic is a matter of pride for us. We want to put on the best tournament we can provide for New England. We want to show people from other places that soccer is big-time here and growing all the time," Shaw said.

The ASA enters its many boys' and girls' Pioneer Valley Soccer League teams in the event, several of which will be crowned champs before its over.

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*Masters Of The Game...***Bocce Players Prepare  
For Tournament Vs  
Team From Ludlow**by Dave Rollins  
Sports Editor

Bocce is truly Italian — a game that has been around for more than century.

This past Monday evening, we found a group of older Italian gentlemen talking in their beautiful native tongue while they played and practiced at the Agawam Italian Sporting Club's outdoor court. They were the club's bocce team, and they were getting ready for a tournament this week against a club from Ludlow.

We wish them the best of luck!

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The annual Thomas DalMolin Golf Tournament will be held on Sunday, September 13th, at the Agawam Country Club.

Start time is 9:30 a.m. The cost of the event is \$65 and includes golf fees, cart, lunch, a steak dinner at Ferruccio's, and prizes.

Proceeds will benefit the Thomas DalMolin Scholarship Fund. Anyone interested in sponsoring a tee or in registering for the tournament can do so by calling Kip at 786-9773 or Mary Lou at 786-1959.

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- **Always swim with a buddy;** never swim alone.
- **Know your swimming limits and stay within them.** Don't try to keep up with a stronger skilled swimmer or encourage others to keep up with you.

- **Swim in supervised areas only.**
- **Obey "No Diving" signs** that indicate the area is unsafe for headfirst entries. Enter feet-first into water rather than headfirst if you don't know the depth. In addition, learn the correct way to dive from a qualified instructor.

- **Watch out for the "dangerous too's"** - too tired, too cold, too far from safety, too much sun, too much strenuous activity.

- **Do not chew gum or eat while you swim;** you could easily choke.

- **Use common sense about swimming after eating.** In general, you do not have to wait an hour after eating before you may safely swim. However, if you have had a large meal, it is wise to let digestion get started before doing strenuous activity such as swimming.

- **Alcohol and swimming don't mix.** Alcohol impairs your judgement, balance, and coordination especially in the water. It affects your swimming and diving skills and reduces your body's ability to stay warm.

- **Always wear a Coast Guard-approved life jacket** when boating and fishing.

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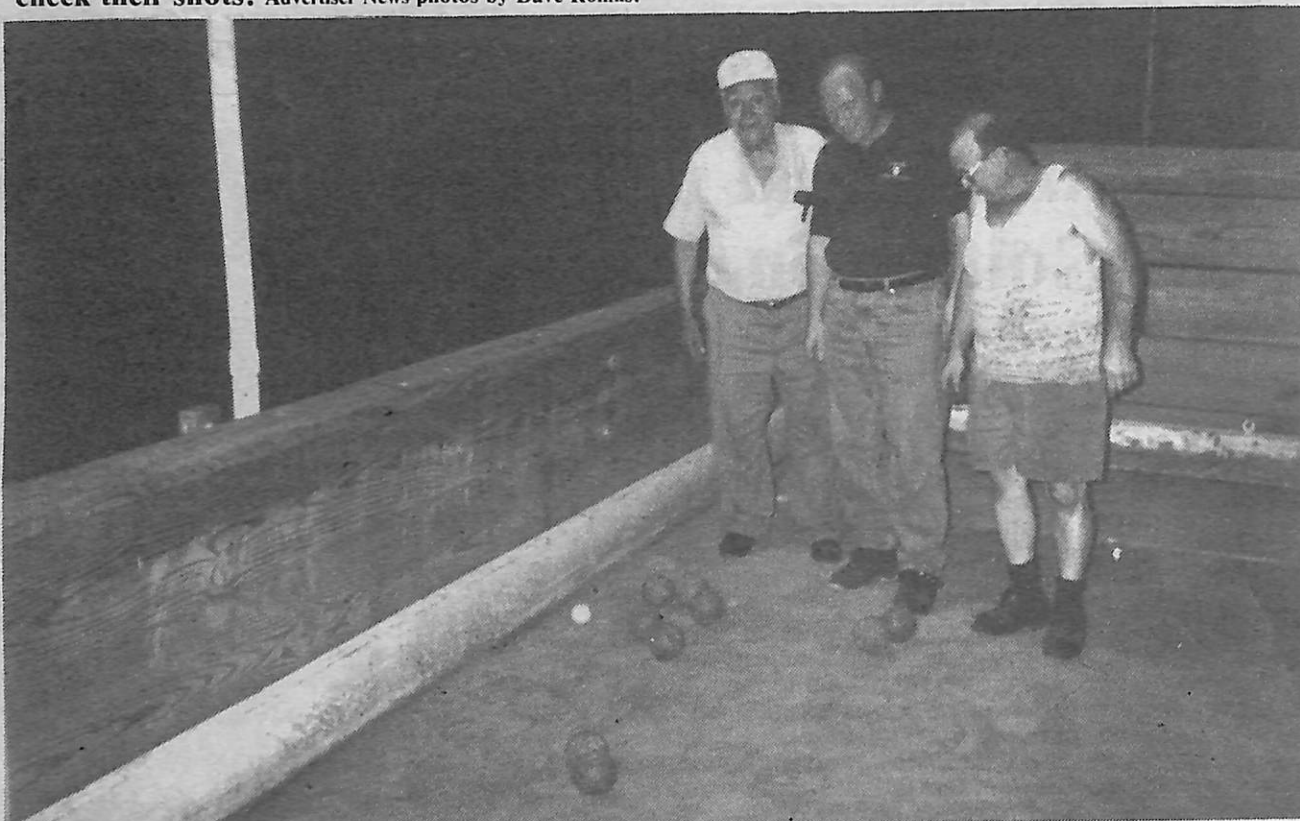
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing at the Agawam Middle School Cafeteria, 68 Main St., Agawam, MA on THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1998 at 6:45 P.M., for all parties interested in the appeal of FREDERICK P. & ALICE BLISS, who are seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 180-71 of the Zoning Ordinances, which would allow for the construction of a garage on a lot that has been found to lie within the 500-year floodplain at the premises identified as: 56 MEADOWBROOK ROAD.

Larry Hoague,  
Acting Chairman

Published: August 27, 1998



IN PHOTO ABOVE: Bocce players Joe Cicchetti, Vincent Sciartilli, Ralph Sciartilli, Mario Trolio, John Montefusco, and Luciano Manes. IN PHOTO BELOW: Three of the players check their shots. Advertiser News photos by Dave Rollins.

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IN LEFT PHOTO: Connecticut Section PGA Representative Glenn Johanson with 10-12 girls' division champion Julie Wightman and Jay Amaral. IN RIGHT PHOTO: Johanson and Amaral with participants from the 10-12 divisions.

## Eighth Amaral Jr. Golf Open At Oak Ridge

On Wednesday, July 22nd, the eighth Annual Joseph F. Amaral Junior Golf Open was held at Oak Ridge Golf Club in Feeding Hills.

With a field of over 180 participants from throughout New England and a new designation as an official stop on the Connecticut Section PGA's Mountain Dew Junior Golf Circuit, the tournament enjoyed an unprecedented level of success this year.

The largest field in the tournament's history as well as the new designation from the Connecticut Section PGA made for some exceptionally impressive play at this year's event, as numerous low scores appeared atop the scoreboard. Perhaps most notable among those scores was an official course record 64 that hung posted at day's end - a fitting performance to commemorate Oak Ridge's longtime friend, Joe Amaral.

That score belonged to the winner of the 16-18 division, Chicopee's Greg Folsom, who received a \$250 scholarship as part of his winnings. The girls' 10-12 division championship went to Julie Wightman, who scored a 36, while the boys' 13-15 division title went to Keith Orlen, who posted a one-under par 69. Other scores included a 77 from girls' 13-18 division champion S. Wolejko, and a 39 from boys' 10-12 division winner J. Wightman.

The Amaral family wishes to express its most sincere gratitude to the membership at Oak Ridge, the Strycharz family, and the local business community, whose financial support made this year's event possible.

Special thanks also go out to Oak Ridge Head Professional Jim Modzelesky, the Connecticut Section PGA, and the entire golf staff at Oak Ridge for the excellent job they did in coordinating the Open. These individuals' commitment to Junior Golf has left a lasting impression on those who comprise the game's future.

Looking ahead, the Amarals look forward to seeing everyone back once again in 1999.

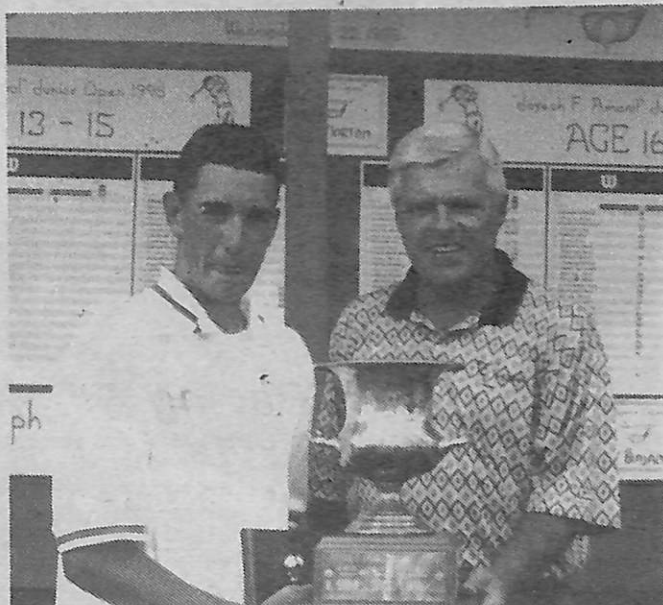
## Turners Wiffleball League Seeks Teams & Player For Fall League

Turners Wiffleball League is seeking teams and players for its fall league. Games will be played on Saturday and Sunday mornings through October.

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## Joseph DeLuca Participates In Hershey Track Prog.

On August 15th, a total of 480 children from across the United States and Canada gathered in Hershey, Pennsylvania, for the North American Final of *Hershey's Track & Field Youth Program*.

Among the participants was Joseph DeLuca, a sixth grader at Agawam Middle School and the son of Tom & Pat DeLuca of Agawam. He competed in the boys' 4 x 100 meter relay (11-12 age division) and came in sixth place with a time of 0:57.56.

While in *Chocolate Town, U.S.A.*, the children, ages nine to 14, participated in long jumping, softball throwing, relays, and a variety of other running events which promote fun, physical fitness, friendship, and sportsmanship.

"The goal of the program is to teach children to be the best they can be," said Rafer Johnson, 1960 Olympic Decathlon Gold Medalist and North American Spokesperson for *Hershey's Track & Field Youth Program*. "The children from all the different regions came together to celebrate the Olympic spirit."

In April, May, June, and July of this year, local, district, provincial, and state meets were held in each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the provinces of Canada. State/provincial finalists are eligible for selection to regional teams.

Founded in 1975, the *Hershey Youth Program* has grown from a local playground event in one community to one of the largest youth sports programs of its kind in North America. The program is designed to encourage physical fitness among youth and emphasize sportsmanship.

The *Hershey Youth Program* is endorsed by the National Recreation and Park Association, the National Association for Sport & Physical Education, the President's Council on Physical Fitness & Sports, and Athletics Canada. It is solely funded by Hershey Chocolate North America.

## Riverside Committed To "Tour-Type" Modifieds For 1999

At the drivers' meeting on August 8th, Riverside Park Speedway's Director of Auto Racing Joe Lewandoski confirmed Riverside Park's commitment to "Tour-Type" Modified racing in 1999. The announcement came following several weeks of speculation among competitors and fans that the Agawam quarter-mile track would close down at the end of the season.

"We are committed to providing great family entertainment for years to come, and that commitment includes the Speedway," stated Riverside Park's Vice-President and General Manager Bill Muirhead. "Racing has been a tradition here for 50 years, and will continue to be an integral part of our facility." Muirhead made his commitment to racing clear after an August 7th meeting with Lewandoski and NASCAR Vice-President Tom Deery.

"For the past two years, there have been vicious rumors flying around that we are going to close down, and that I have been fired or have resigned. It is simply not true," state Lewandoski. "We will be back racing next year. Period."

"Tour-Type" Modifieds are currently Riverside Park's premier division, and all drivers earn points towards the NASCAR Winston Racing Series regional and national championships. Prior to Lewandoski's announcement to the drivers, speculation was rampant that Riverside Park Speedway would eliminate the Modifieds in favor of less costly SK Modifieds.

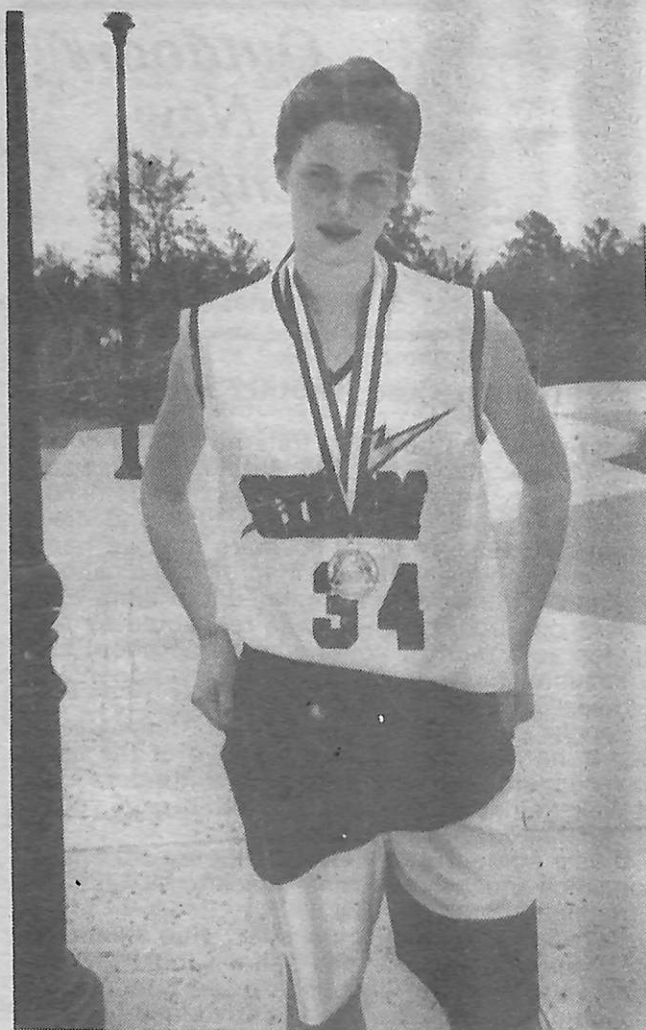
Eddy Spiers, driver of the No. 94 Modified, says the news gives Modified drivers hope about the future of their division. "Car counts are down, things aren't looking all that great (for the Modifieds)," says the Beacon Falls, Connecticut resident. "Knowing that NASCAR and Riverside Park want them back is good news."

Riverside Park Speedway will host a total of 38 different racing and motorsports thrills events in 1998 before the season concludes on November 1st with the Enfield Pontiac 400.

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KATE BARRY

## Kate Barry Competes At Nat'l Invitational Basketball Tourney

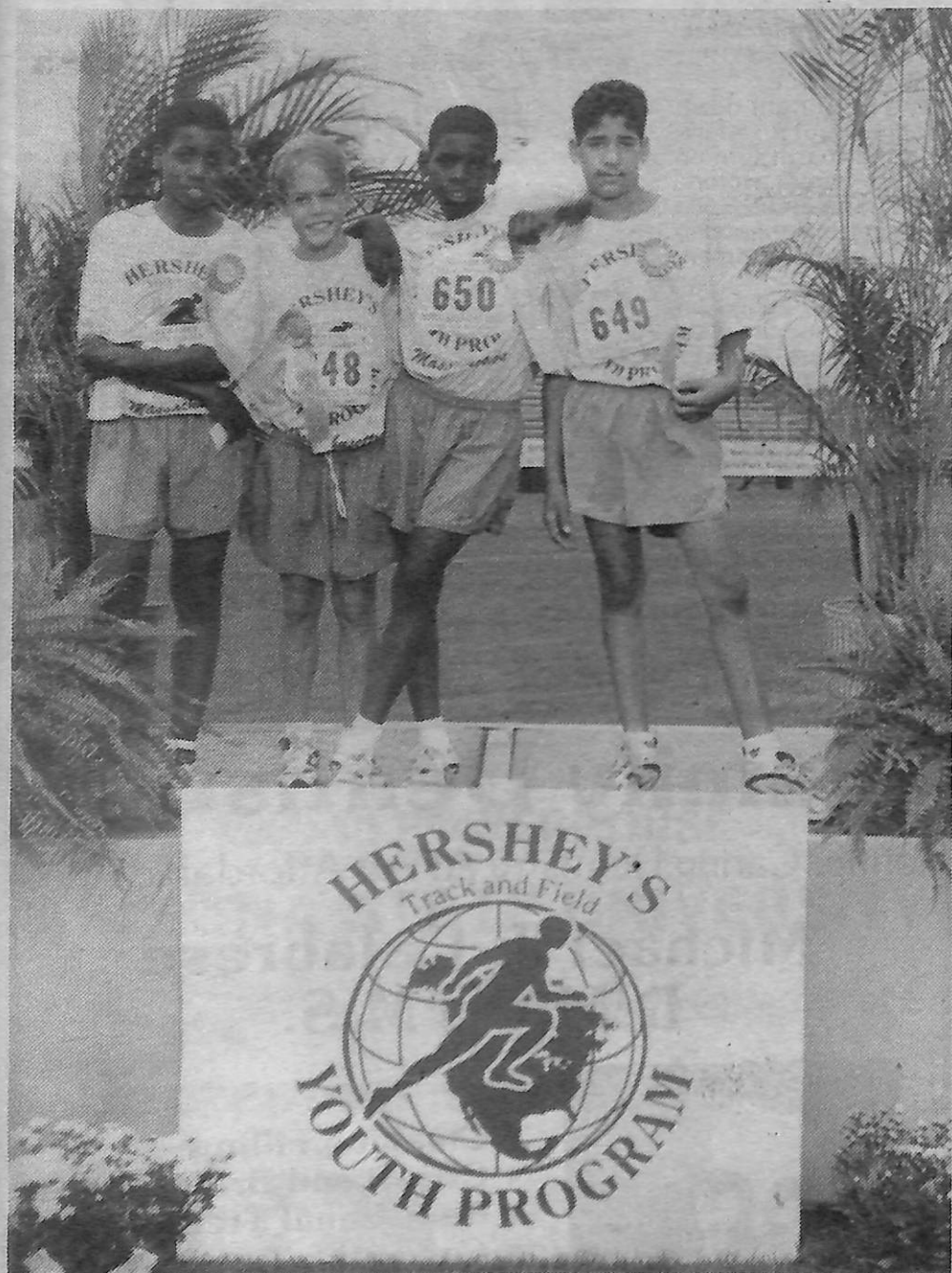
Kate Barry, 14, of Avon, Connecticut, formerly of Agawam, a member of the Connecticut Storm AAU Basketball Club, participated in the National Invitational Championships at Disney's Wide World of Sports Complex in Orlando, Florida in July, where her team took the gold.

The Storm went undefeated in the tournament, beating Indiana in the championship game, 69-52. They averaged 75 points per game on offense and gave up 53 points per game for the tournament.

Kate and her team traveled each weekend from April through July playing in AAU tournaments along the East Coast. Their record this season was 42-7.

Kate, a 5'7" guard, is currently playing in a summer hoops league in Virginia Beach and attending basketball camp at Old Dominion University.

She will be entering her freshman year at Northwest Catholic High School in West Hartford, Connecticut this fall.



JOSEPH DELUCA, a sixth grade student at Agawam Middle School, poses with other award-winning participants at the recently held Northern American Final of "Hershey's Track and Field Youth Program."

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## Outdoors New England

by Kent Servis  
Outdoor Writer

### Sportsmen Lose Another Friend...

Last week, the outdoors fraternity lost a good and valuable man. Raymond Matlasz of Agawam passed away after a long illness at the age of 60.

Ray was born September 18, 1938 and died August 15, 1998. In those 60 years that we were fortunate enough to have a man of Ray's caliber among us, the world has changed, but there was always one constant; Ray was respected by his friends as a man of honor who cared about his community as well as his love of outdoor activities.

Serving as a captain in the United States Coast Guard, he never left behind his love of the sea. Ray skipped his charter boat, "Pathfinder," out of Wakefield, Rhode Island, and had over 20 years of experience as a charter captain.

Unlike some, he was never reluctant to share some tips and "where to go" advice to the less experienced anglers.

Ray will be missed by his fellow club members at the Springfield Yacht and Canoe Club, by those who were fortunate enough to have fished with him, and those of us who were privileged to have known him.

I will remember him equally for something else that seems to be hard to find these days; a man who said what he meant and meant what he said.

Ray has left us, but his spirit will be dancing on the wave tops of the sea he loved so much.

#### FISH REPORT FRESH WATER

Hampden Ponds continue to give up some good largemouth, especially after sunset. Try working dark-colored spinnerbaits near the lily pads. Unweighted plastic worms, which are crawled through the heavy weeds, are producing nicely.

Congamond reports indicate that action on bass has been an on again/off again proposition. The poisoning of the weed growth may be a factor in fish behavior. Any change to water chemistry will influence fish behavior.

Connecticut River smallmouth action has been fairly steady. During rising water conditions, fish close to heavy cover.

#### SALT WATER

Tuna action is heating up, with reports of yellowfin being taken off of Block Island. There may still be room for one or two more fishermen on the three-day trip next week.

Stripers are still hot from the North Shore to Long Island Sound. The Race, Plumb Gut, and the rips at Cornfield Point are all producing decent fish.

Bluefish action is still sort of spotty. Some days the Race is hot, and other days it seems that you can't find them. There is still some action at dawn and dusk near the mouth of the Connecticut River.

## ADVERTISER NEWS

## Eddy Spiers Wins 3rd At Riverside, Gains Points Lead

Eddy Spiers of Beacon Falls, Connecticut earned his third win of the season in Riverside Park's NAPA Modified Division, and moved ahead of Manchester, Connecticut's Rob Summers into the points lead.

Spiers is now 26 points of both Summers and defending New England Regional Champion Jimmy Broderick with two races remaining in the season.

Other winners from Parks America night at the races were Patrick Townsend in the 40 lap Serv-U Auto Supply Pro Stock feature, Ted Chalmers in the 30 lap Teddy Bear Pools Truck feature, and Dennis Brilla in the 25 lap Sportsman feature.

Spiers started second in the 24 car field and took over the lead at the halfway point of the race. Summers, who had led the Modified point standings for the last several weeks, got into an accident on the 12th lap and would end up finishing 20th. Ricky Miller finished second, followed by five-time track champion Bob Polverari in third, Broderick in fourth, and rookie driver Ken Marques in fifth.

The NAPA Modified division winds up this close Championship battle on September 5th, with a 150 lap feature. The NAPA Modified division champion will receive \$10,000.

In the Pro Stock feature, Townsend added some happiness to what he calls "a really bad season" with his second career win. Prior to August 22nd, Townsend had managed only three top finishes this year. Barry Gray was the runner-up, followed by Tim Strojny with a season best third place finish, defending track champion Eddy Carroll III in fourth and Jim Banfield in fifth.

The 17 drivers who lined up to start the 30 lap Teddy Bear Pools Truck featured added to an already astounding statistic by sending a 14th new winner to Victory Lane in the 15th race of the season. Chalmers, of Holyoke, Massachusetts, inherited the lead on lap 24 when leader Brian Merchant suffered mechanical problems and was forced to withdraw from the race. Ernie Tarca finished second, followed by Chris Johnson, Pat Kretschman, and Scott Ciak in fifth place.

The 25 lap Sportsman feature went right down to the line as Plantsville, Connecticut's Dennis Brilla passed Beau LeBeau in the fourth turn on the final lap. It was Brilla's first career victory. LeBeau, who led most of the race until Brilla made his winning pass, had to settle for second and was followed across the line by Bill Reiman, Andy Breen, and Doug Goetz.

Riverside Park Speedway returns to action on August 29th, as ACME Auto and American Saw present a seven division racing program. Each of Riverside Park's seven NASCAR divisions will be competing in feature races only, beginning at 6:00 p.m. August 29th will also be the final points race of the season for the Super Stock and Mini Stock divisions.

Riverside Park Speedway closes out its NASCAR racing season on September 5th with the final installment of the Budweiser Triple Crown Series. The final points race will include 150 lap features for both the Modified and Pro Stock divisions. Riverside Park continues an action packed Labor Day weekend with a School Bus Demolition on September 6th.



## Golf Tip Of The Week...

Compiled by  
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### Buried Lies Made Easy...

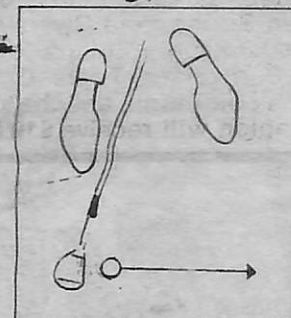
Too many golfers think that they have to bull their way out of a partially buried lie. In reality, you don't have to swing any harder than you would on a ball in a good lie. You have to make only a couple of adjustments.

First, use a pitching wedge instead of a sand wedge. The pitching wedge is better suited to cutting down into the sand.

Secondly, instead of opening the face of the club as you would on a sand shot from a good lie, square the leading edge to your target. This also will help you to dig the ball out and will avoid the need to swing any harder than normal.



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## Seven-Division NASCAR Spectacular At Riverside Park

For fans who want more Saturday night racing, August 29th is their day. Each of Riverside Park's seven divisions will be in action with feature races beginning at 6:00 p.m.

August 29th will also be the final points race of the season for the Super Stock and Mini Stock divisions.

"We are glad to have the opportunity to run all of our divisions on the 29th," says Director of Auto Racing Joe Lewandoski. "It will be a crowded show, but there will be something for everyone to see." Lewandoski added that heat races will not be held in order to conserve time, and feature races will start promptly at 6:00 p.m. August 29th was originally scheduled to be a rodeo event at the Speedway, but that event was cancelled earlier in the season.

Adding to the excitement will be the crowning of the Super Stock and Mini Stock division champions. Craig Collins of Enfield, Connecticut leads the Super Stock standings by 26 points (224) over Monson's Keith DeSanctis (198). A 13th place or better finish will lock up the Super Stock title for Collins, who has led the point standings without reaching Victory Lane in 1998.

In the Mini Stock division, David Banville of Somerset, Massachusetts leads with 270 points. Banville's lead, however, is a mere six points over Northford, Connecticut's Cheryl Reilly (264). To ensure a championship, Banville must finish third or higher. This may not be too difficult for Banville, who enters August 29th with two consecutive feature wins under his belt.

Also in action on August 29th will be the NAPA Modifieds, the Serv-U Auto Supply Pro Stocks, the Teddy Bear Pools Trucks, the Sportsman and the Figure 8's. The final races for these divisions will be held on Saturday, September 5th.

The NAPA Modifieds and the Serv-U Auto Supply Pro Stocks will have to complete 150 lap features before their season is done. September 5th also marks the close of the Budweiser Triple Crown Series, and Riverside Park's top two divisions will run 150 laps to finish out that series. The Budweiser Triple Crown Series carries a \$6,000 point fund, and the NAPA Modified division champion will receive \$10,000.

## Riverside Speedway's Unofficial Finishes For Sat., August 22nd

### Teddy Bear Pools Truck Division (30 Laps)

1. Ted Chalmers of Holyoke, MA.
2. Ernie Tarca of East Granby, CT.
3. Chris Johnson of Pittsfield, MA.
4. Pat Kretschman of Shelton, CT.
5. Scott Ciak of Agawam, MA.
6. Mike Salmond of Ludlow, MA.
7. Chuck Docherty of Springfield, MA.
8. Skip Breunig of Milford, CT.
9. E.J. Lagacy of Agawam, MA.
10. Gee Perry of Granby, CT.
11. Rob Valerio of New Britain, CT.
12. P.J. Pelc of South Deerfield, MA.
13. Kris Valerio of Bristol, CT.
14. Keith Miller of Broad Brook, CT.
15. Brian Merchant of Wilbraham, MA.
16. Mike Duquette of Northampton, MA.
17. Rit Dulac of Plantsville, CT.

### Sportsman Division (25 Laps)

1. Dennis Brilla of Plantsville, CT.
2. Beau LeBeau of Somers, CT.
3. Bill Reiman of Southington, CT.
4. Andy Breen of Northampton, MA.
5. Doug Goetz of Danbury, CT.
6. Chris Drouin of Bristol, CT.
7. Mike Chaves of South Windsor, CT.
8. David Birkenshaw of Somers, CT.
9. Jon Waterhouse of Berlin, CT.
10. Tony Keilty of Torrington, CT.
11. Jason Lafayette of Windsor, CT.
12. Dennis Charette of Southington, CT.
13. George Colton of Somers, CT.
14. Robert Bahre of Canton, CT.
15. Rick Leavitt of Canton Center, CT.
16. Herb Carlon of Windsor, CT.
17. Fred Berger of Morris, CT.
18. Kevin McQuillan of Stratford, CT.
19. Paul Mercadante of Southampton, MA.
20. Henry Petrie, Jr. of Southwick, MA.
21. Raymond Rout of Harwinton, CT.
22. Ed Charette of Plainville, CT.
23. Glen Reilly of Northford, CT.
24. Keith Carzello of Enfield, CT.

### Serv-U Auto Supply Pro Stocks (40 Laps)

1. Patrick Townsend of Springfield, MA.
2. Barry Gray of Belchertown, MA.
3. Tim Strojny of Southampton, MA.
4. Eddy Carroll III of Suffield, CT.
5. Jim Banfield of South Glastonbury, CT.
6. Jim Mavrouganes of Wethersfield, CT.
7. Todd Owen of Somers, CT.
8. Ron LaPerche of Pawtucket, RI.
9. Craig St. Germain of Enfield, CT.
10. Blaine Belz of Moodus, CT.
11. John Lobo, Jr. of Southampton, MA.
12. Jeff Horn of Tolland, CT.
13. Tom Dileo of Winsted, CT.
14. Chuck Docherty of Springfield, MA.
15. Tom Fearn of Agawam, MA.
16. Jay Miller of East Granby, CT.
17. Rich Vasseur of Ellington, CT.
18. Bennett Fuller of Enfield, CT.
19. Les Hinckley III of Windsor Locks, CT.
20. Bobby Ermark of Norwalk, CT.
21. Rick Turcotte of Hampden, MA.

### NAPA Modified Division (50 Laps)

1. Eddy Spiers of Beacon Falls, CT.
2. Ricky Miller of Agawam, MA.
3. Bob Polverari of West Springfield, MA.
4. Jimmy Broderick of Brookfield, CT.
5. Ken Marques of Canton, CT.
6. Brian Schofield of Monson, MA.
7. Richie Gallup of Agawam, MA.
8. Ted Riggott of East Hartland, CT.
9. Bill Bolton of Enfield, CT.
10. Dave Gallo of Kensington, CT.
11. Chris Wenzel of Holyoke, MA.
12. Todd Owen of Somers, CT.
13. Brad Hietala of Ellington, CT.
14. Eric LeClair of Chicopee, MA.
15. Dan Avery of Somers, CT.
16. Renee Dupuis of Glastonbury, CT.
17. Dave Berube of Bristol, CT.
18. Fran Principi of Monroe, CT.
19. Marty Radewick of Agawam, MA.
20. Rob Summers of Manchester, CT.
21. Chris Kopec of Ware, MA.
22. Wade Cole of Riverton, CT.
23. Joe Czarnecki of Westfield, MA.
24. John Lobo, Jr. of Southampton, MA.



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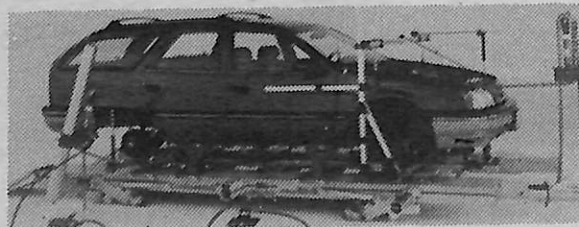
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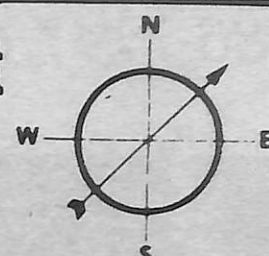


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**L.K.'S HELPING HAND:** Cleaning houses, business. Indoor/outdoor. Odd jobs. Lynda Kuna-sek, 781-6186.

**LICENSED HOME DAYCARE:** Sept. openings. Granger School district. Call 789-9994 for info. Lic. no. 184043.

## FOR SALE

**BABYSITTER NEEDED:** Tues. & Wed. from 4:15 until 9:00 or 10:00 p.m. 1 child, age 7, Agawam Center area. Please leave message, 821-8896.

**FOR SALE:** Steel buildings in original crate. 40x20 (1 open end); was \$6,380, will sell for \$2,680. Guaranteed complete. Chuck, 1-800-320-2340.

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**FOR SALE:** Sectional couch. 1 year-old. \$800 or B.O. 737-7012.

**UPRIGHT FREEZER FOR SALE:** Excellent condition. \$250. 786-2598.

**FOR SALE:** Popcorn machine. 12 oz. kettle. Deluxe Whiz Bang model. 789-1343.

## WANTED

**HAIR STYLISTS WANTED:** Suffield - Established salon under new ownership and expanding. Seeking full- and part-time stylists with following. All inquiries confidential. Call (860) 668-8881.

**PART-TIME HELP WANTED:** Steady hours and no weekends! M-F. Start 5:30 p.m. Office cleaning in Suffield & Enfield. We offer paid holiday/training. (860) 741-0827.

**DISTRIBUTORS WANTED:** IntelCom, Inc., 1-413-788-7007. Dial 1 long distance; 8.9 cents per min. State to state, 18 sec. min., 6 sec. billing. 24 hrs. a day, 7 days a week. No codes, no fees; business & residential. "We're not just all talk."

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## LOST

**REWARD:** For lost female, long-hair cat. White w/grey markings. Pink collar. Blue eyes. Sadly missed by family. Please call 789-1479 if you have seen her (Agawam's River Rd. area).

## PERSONAL

**THANK YOU ST. JUDE**  
Joe Rolland, 650 Main St., W. Springfield, MA 01089-3949. Thank you for favors received.

*Classified ads cost just \$10 for 30 words or less; however, we DO NOT take them over the phone. Mail them with payment to P.O. Box 263, Feeding Hills, MA 01030, or bring them to our office.*

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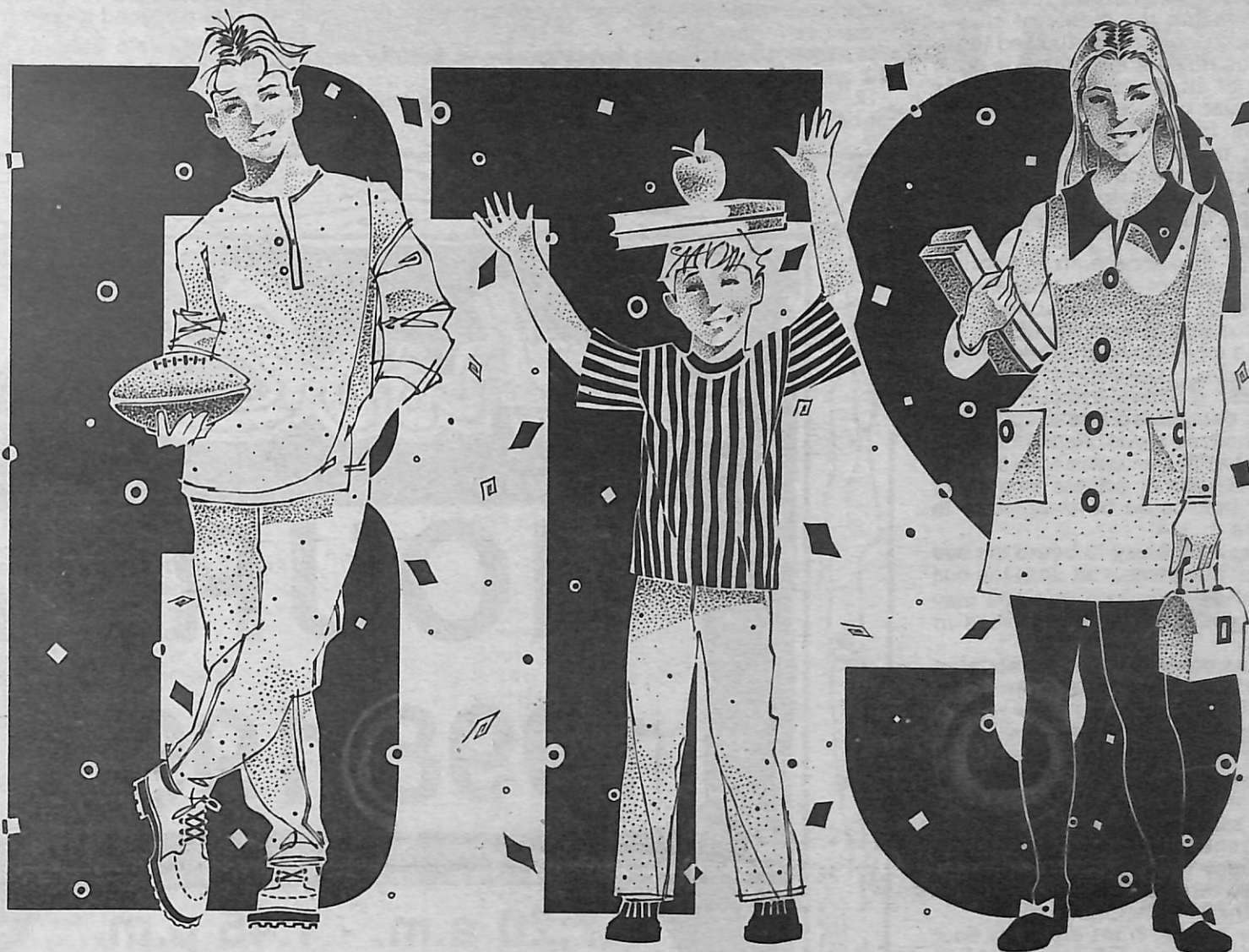
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# It's Here... Back To School



## Annual Issue **Agawam Advertiser News**

**Agawam School Committee  
And  
Agawam School Department**

*Featuring:*

- Agawam School Committee Members
- Agawam School Department Personnel
- Complete School Committee And School Department Report
- School Bus Schedules
- All The Information You Need To Begin The 1998-1999 School Year



# School Bus Rules

## SCHOOL BUS INFORMATION

In order to insure the safe transportation of all children to and from school, the Agawam School Committee has adopted School Bus Rules. Because of the extremely serious nature of safety hazards involving vehicles seating well over 50 children, this policy will be strictly enforced. If any child loses bus privileges, it will be the responsibility of the parents to get the child both to and from school.

The majority of our children behave courteously and well, helping to insure the safety of all. Actions of a small minority cannot be allowed to imperil lives. School Bus Rules are required in order to insure the safety of all students. They will be rigidly enforced because of potential hazard to all riders. The penalties for violation of bus rules shall be a warning, initially. A second offense shall result in a loss of riding privileges for a period of at least five school days. Any further problems will result in loss of transportation a minimum of one month.

Serious breaches of discipline such as fighting, abuse of the bus driver or other passengers, damage to the bus, or any other action constituting a threat to safety, will result in immediate loss of riding privileges rather than a warning.

## SCHOOL BUS RULES

**1. Wait for bus at designated bus stop.** Buses will stop only at authorized stops. Remain orderly and away from street until bus arrives. Pupils are not to play in road, trespass on private property or engage in behavior that could be dangerous to those at the bus stop.

**2. If you must cross a highway to board the bus or to get back to your bus stop,** wait until the bus driver signals that all is clear and that you may proceed to cross the highway. Always cross in front of the bus.

**3. Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop** before boarding. Do not crowd toward the street and bus.

**4. Enter the bus quietly** and in an orderly manner. Proceed directly to a seat.

**5. The driver has been instructed** not to wait for you. Be on time.

**6. Remain in your seat while the bus is moving.** Pupils are not to change seats while the bus is in motion. Conditions may require specific seating arrangements. These arrangements are to be made by the driver and/or principal only.

**7. Leave and enter only at front entrance door** except in cases of emergency. Emergency Exit Drills will be conducted during the school year to

acquaint children with methods of exit in emergencies.

**8. Talking in a conversational voice** and tone is permissible. Shouting or excessive loud talking is prohibited.

**9. Undesirable remarks directed to the driver** or other students and stirring up adverse behavior are not allowed.

**10. Horseplay is not permitted.** Students are not to yell, motion or discharge any objects that will distract or prove offensive to the driver or other motorists and/or pedestrians. Throwing of objects or articles is forbidden.

**11. EATING (including beverages) and SMOKING** are NOT PERMITTED on school buses.

**12. Packages other than school materials** will not be transported at any time.

**13. Pupils are to remain seated** at discharge points until the school bus has come to a complete stop. Leave quickly and orderly, one at a time.

**14. Pupils must follow instructions** given by the bus driver.

**15. Damage to buses will not be tolerated.** Students are responsible for damage to their seat and area during their trip. Any damage should be reported immediately to the driver.

**16. Pupils entitled to transportation** may ride only the bus assigned to and from school.

**17. The Agawam School Committee reserves the right to refuse to transport any pupil who fails to observe rules and regulations or exhibits unacceptable conduct.**

## Student Insurance

Student accident insurance is available to all students. The School Committee provides insurance to cover all students taking part in inter-scholastic athletics. It is the family's responsibility to provide whatever other insurance is desired, and a plan is being offered to make this possible. For \$8 students may purchase insurance covering a period of going to school, at school, and going from school each day. Twenty-four hour coverage is also available at a cost of \$50 per student. This coverage insures the student during school vacation, holidays and weekends as well.

The reasons that this insurance is available at such a low cost is that it is non-duplicating insurance. Non-duplicating means that other insurance owned by the family, for example, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, must be used first. If other insurance does not cover the complete cost or any part of the cost, then the school insurance plan will take over. By filing a claim with the insurance company, a parent may be reimbursed for any insured loss.

Athletic insurance is also non-duplicating. A parent may not collect from the school's insurance carrier and from another company for the same accident. A policy description will be sent to each student's home early in the school year. Please read it carefully.

If you have any questions, call the Associate Superintendent at 821-0550.

## Rules Regarding School Property

Permission must be obtained from the office of the Superintendent of Schools for use of school grounds. No unauthorized use is permitted. Restrictions are posted and town police so notified. School facilities and grounds are for the use of Agawam residents; curfew exists one-half hour after sunset and during the hours of darkness on the use of school grounds except where permission has been granted. The use of any motor vehicle, including motor bikes, motorcycles, mopeds, automobiles, etc., is prohibited at all times. Riding of horses is also prohibited.

**School**

**HOURS**

**1998-1999**

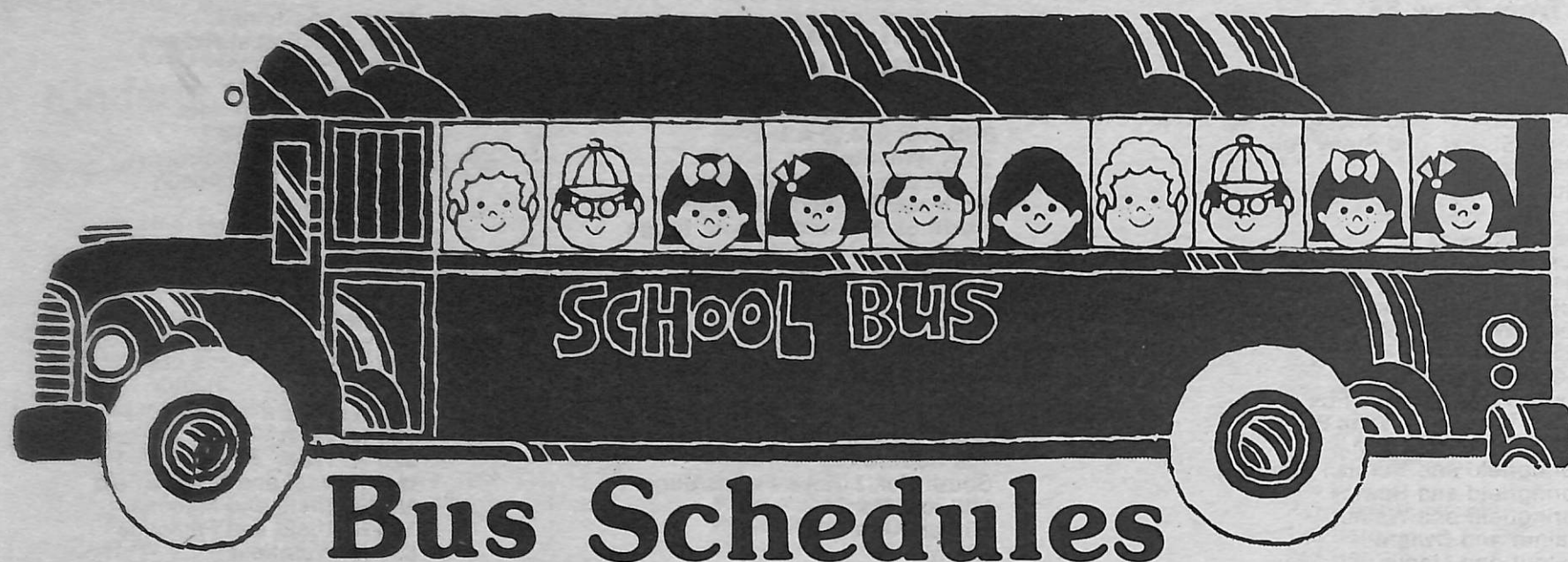
**7:20 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.**  
Agawam High School

**7:58 a.m. - 2:15 p.m.**  
Agawam Junior High School

**8:35 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.**  
Agawam Middle School  
Clifford M. Granger School

**9:10 a.m. - 3:20 p.m.**  
James Clark School  
Benjamin J. Phelps School  
Robinson Park School





## Agawam Senior High Bus Stops

- \* **BUS NO. 1 (6:50 A.M.):**  
595 North St.  
North and Wilbert  
N. Westfield and Thalia  
Oriole and Robin Ridge Dr.  
N. Westfield and Fox Farms  
N. Westfield and Clover Hill  
N. Westfield and Liswell
- \* **BUS NO. 2 (6:55 A.M.):**  
1225 Springfield (Cincotta's Stand)  
Northwood and Springfield  
Northwood and Granger  
Northwood and Fordham  
Fordham and Cambridge  
Blacksmith and N. Westfield  
35 N. Westfield  
26 N. Westfield
- \* **BUS NO. 3 (6:50 A.M.):**  
N. West and Karen Lynn  
226 North West  
236 North West  
350 North West  
North West and North St. Ext.  
North West and Cynthia Place  
764 North West  
805 North West  
North West and N. Westfield  
N. Westfield and Marlene  
1015 N. Westfield  
N. Westfield and Parkedge  
733 N. Westfield  
N. Westfield and Provin Mtn. Dr.  
N. Westfield and North
- \* **BUS NO. 4 (7:00 A.M.):**  
590 Suffield  
Suffield and Edgewater  
1010 Suffield  
Suffield and Centerwood  
Suffield and Poinsetta  
Suffield and Anthony  
Suffield and Center
- \* **BUS NO. 5 (6:50 A.M.):**  
Silver and Doane  
Silver and Mountainview  
Silver and Franklin St. Ext.  
Silver and Porter  
Silver and Belden  
Silver and Castle Hill  
Elm and Birch Hill  
Main and Emerson  
Adams and Ridge Ave.  
Adams and Pineview  
Adams and Rosie  
Adams and Zachary  
Mill and Silver Lake
- \* **BUS NO. 6 (6:50 A.M.):**  
358 Southwick  
468 Southwick  
Bus Turns Around  
447 Southwick  
S. West & Carmel/Pheasant Hill  
Southwick and Tina  
Southwick and Sunset
- \* **BUS NO. 7 (6:50 A.M.):**  
Main and Reed  
Main and Federal  
Main and Cooper  
School and Main St.  
School and Monroe  
School and Hearthstone  
School and Beverly  
369 School  
School and River  
River and Meadowbrook  
River and Glendale  
Main and Parker
- \* **BUS NO. 8 (6:55 A.M.):**  
Springfield and Columbus  
North and Maynard/Harding

- North and Oak Lane  
North and James  
North and Cherry  
North and Colemore  
Colemore and Jessica
- \* **BUS NO. 9 (6:50 A.M.):**  
204 Garden  
Garden and Memorial  
Garden and Orlando  
328 Poplar  
374 Poplar  
Shoemaker and Poplar  
Shoemaker and Cesan  
563 Shoemaker  
Shoemaker and Losito  
187 Shoemaker  
93 Shoemaker  
South and Deer Run  
South and Quail Hollow  
South and Cosgrove  
South and S. Brook  
197 South  
117 South  
South and Mark  
Main and Kanawha  
1639 Suffield  
1485 Suffield (Condos)  
Suffield and Doloris Ln.
- \* **BUS NO. 10 (6:50 A.M.):**  
S. Westfield and Hamar  
S. West and Shelly  
S. West and Wild Bill  
170 South West  
276 South West  
335 South West  
South West and Red Fox  
South West and White Fox  
South West and Kathy Ter.  
South West and Joann
- \* **BUS NO. 12 (6:50 A.M.):**  
S. Westfield and Hendom  
935 S. Westfield  
943 S. Westfield  
S. Westfield and Bradford  
Barry and Oakmont  
Barry and Pine  
Barry and Cricket/Oak Ridge  
Barry and Christopher  
Barry and Marla  
471 Barry  
Barry and S. West
- \* **BUS NO. 13 (6:50 A.M.):**  
420 Main St.  
28 Meadow  
302 Meadow  
418 Meadow (Heritage)  
Meadow and Editha  
River and Barney/Sterling  
S. Alhambra and Alhambra Cir.  
Corey and Janelle  
Corey and Corey Colonial  
38 Edward
- \* **BUS NO. 14 (6:50 A.M.):**  
Walnut and Dwight  
Maple and Walnut  
Maple and Bridge  
Maple and Spencer  
Rowley and Royal
- \* **BUS NO. 15 (6:50 A.M.):**  
Leonard and Katherine  
Leonard and Debra  
Leonard and Danny  
River and Channell  
River and Florida  
River and Chestnut  
River and Shady Lane  
River and Lawnwood  
River and Deering  
River and Riviera  
1242 Main  
1278 Main  
Main and Charles  
Main and Melrose  
Main and Leonard  
Main and Elm

## Agawam Junior High Bus Stops

- \* **BUS NO. 2 (7:15 A.M.):**  
668 North West  
735 North West  
776 North West  
805 North West  
926 North West  
1034 N. West and Peterson Cir.  
N. West and N. Westfield  
N. Westfield and Marlene  
1015 N. Westfield  
N. Westfield and Parkedge  
791 N. Westfield  
N. Westfield and Allison  
Robin Ridge and Parkview (a.m. only)  
Parkview and Thalia (a.m. only)  
520 N. Westfield (a.m. and p.m.)  
Strawberry Hill & Fieldstone (a.m. only)  
Valleybrook and Forest Hill (a.m. only)  
Clover Hill and Valleybrook (a.m. only)  
(a.m. stops - take BUS NO. 11 in p.m.)
- \* **BUS NO. 3 (7:25 A.M.):**  
Suffield and Edgewater  
709 Suffield  
Adams and Rosie  
Adams and Pineview  
Adams and Main  
1098 Main (p.m. only)  
Main and Charles  
1278 Main  
Main and South  
117 South  
South and S. Brook  
South and Cosgrove  
South and Quail Hollow  
267 Shoemaker  
Shoemaker and Losito  
563 Shoemaker  
Shoemaker and Cesan  
Poplar and Rising
- \* **BUS NO. 4 (7:25 A.M.):**  
Springfield and Sheri/Wilson  
North and Harding  
North and Oak Lane  
North and James  
North and Letendre  
North and Cherry  
North and Colemore  
North and Ridgeway  
North and Pleasant
- \* **BUS NO. 5 (7:15 A.M.):**  
352 Suffield  
Suffield and Washington  
Reed and Virginia  
420 Main  
28 Meadow  
359 Meadow  
Meadow and James (Regency)  
Meadow and Ellison  
River and Sterling/Barney  
River and Alhambra  
Corey and N. Alhambra  
Corey and Janelle  
202 Corey  
Corey and Corey Colonial  
Corey and Edward  
Edward and Main
- \* **BUS NO. 6 (7:20 A.M.):**  
Adams and Zachary  
Adams and Richardson  
Fernwood and Arbor  
Fernwood and Hunting  
Fernwood and Centerwood  
Silver and Belden  
Silver and Porter  
Silver and Mountainview  
Silver and Franklin St. Ext.  
Garden and Orlando  
159 Poplar  
995 Shoemaker  
1068 Shoemaker  
1138 Shoemaker

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**BUSES - from Page 3a...**

- \* **BUS NO. 8 (7:15 A.M.):**  
North St. Ext. and Belmont  
North St. Ext. and Juniper Ridge  
North St. Ext. and Kosciusko  
North St. Ext. and Stony Hill  
363 North West  
210 North West  
71 North West  
468 Southwick  
Bus Turns Around  
411 Southwick  
Southwick and Carmel  
South West and Shelley  
123 South West  
250 South West  
South West and Red Fox  
South West and White Fox
- \* **BUS NO. 10 (7:25 A.M.):**  
Springfield and Norman (Shibley)  
Springfield and Rowley  
Springfield and Walnut  
Walnut and Dwight  
Walnut and Maple  
Maple and Bridge  
Maple and Moore  
Maple and Spencer  
Springfield and Kristen
- \* **BUS NO. 11 (2:15 P.M.):**  
Robin Ridge and Parkview  
Parkview and Thalia  
Strawberry Hill and Fieldstone  
Valleybrook and Forest Hill  
Clover Hill and Valleybrook
- \* **BUS NO. 12 (7:15 A.M.):**  
School and Main  
School and Monroe  
School and Hearthstone  
School and Beverly/Plantation  
235 School  
353 School  
School and River  
921 River  
River and Meadowbrook  
River and Clifton  
River and Glendale  
Leonard and Danny  
Leonard and Roberta  
Leonard and Katherine  
Leonard and Main  
Silver and Pembroke  
Silver and Castle Hill
- \* **BUS NO. 14 (7:20 A.M.):**  
Cooper and Karen  
Cooper and Tracy  
Cooper and Brien  
Cooper and Greenacre  
Country and Rowley  
Cooper and Senator  
Cooper and Federal  
Cooper and Fairview  
Cooper and Federal Ave.  
Main and Harvey Johnson  
Main and Parker  
Mill and Clematis  
590 Suffield  
Suffield and Valentine  
Mill and Line  
123 Line  
Springfield and Mooreland
- \* **BUS NO. 15 (7:15 A.M.):**  
Mill and Silver Lake  
130 Elm  
44 Elm  
River and Channell  
River and Florida  
River and Shady  
River and Deering  
River and Riviera  
Main and Woodcliff  
Main and Kanawha  
1485 Suffield (Longbrook Est.)  
1341 Suffield  
Suffield and Dolores
- \* **BUS NO. 16 (7:25 A.M.):**  
S. West and Kathy  
S. West and Joann  
S. West and Barry  
Barry and Christopher  
Barry and Cricket/Oak Ridge  
Barry and Pine  
380 Barry  
156 Barry  
126 Barry  
891 S. Westfield  
S. Westfield and Bradford  
408 S. Westfield

**Agawam Middle School  
Bus Stops**

- \* **BUS NO. 3 (8:00 A.M.):**  
35 N. Westfield  
N. Westfield and Blacksmith  
North St. Ext. and Belmont  
North St. Ext. and Juniper Ridge  
North St. Ext. and Kosciusko  
1149 North St. Ext.  
1196 North St. Ext.  
350 N. West  
210 N. West  
N. West and Karen Lynn  
170 N. West  
76 N. West  
Southwick and Tina  
150 Southwick  
Southwick & Hope Farms/Sunset  
Mill and Norris  
Mill and Franklin  
537 Mill  
Cooper and Karen  
Cooper and Tracy
- \* **BUS NO. 5 (8:00 A.M.):**  
Southwick and Carmel Lane  
Springfield and Belvidere  
Springfield and Rhodes  
Springfield and Kensington  
Springfield and Franklin  
Springfield and Mooreland  
Springfield and Letendre  
Springfield and Line  
Springfield and Shibley Court
- \* **BUS NO. 6 (7:55 A.M.):**  
S. Westfield and Hamar  
Hendon and Hickory  
Beech and Elmar  
S. Westfield and Pine  
S. Westfield and Bradford  
943 S. Westfield  
173 Barry  
Barry and Cricket/Oak Ridge  
Barry and Christopher  
373 Barry  
Turn Around  
Pine and Barry  
Pine and Spruce  
1068 Shoemaker  
Shoemaker and Cesan  
619 Shoemaker  
Shoemaker and Losito
- \* **BUS NO. 7 (7:55 A.M.):**  
Poplar & Henry  
Poplar and Memorial Drive  
Poplar and Rising  
N. Westfield and Liswell  
North and Elizabeth  
North and Wilbert  
North and Sylvan Ln.  
612 North  
505 North  
Cherry and Colemore  
North and Cherry  
North and Barberry  
North and Homer  
North and James  
North and Oak Lane  
North and Cleveland  
North and Harding  
North and Maynard
- \* **BUS NO. 9 (7:50 A.M.):**  
Main and Parker  
Main and Lealand  
Main and School  
School and Monroe  
School and Hearthstone  
385 School  
401 School  
School and River  
River and Meadowbrook  
River and Clifton  
River and Glendale  
River and Warren  
130 Elm Street  
Silver and Elm  
Silver and Castle Hill  
643 Suffield  
Suffield and Poinsetta  
Suffield and Valentine  
352 Suffield
- \* **BUS NO. 10 (8:00 A.M.):**  
North Westfield and Anvil  
Yale and Cambridge  
Fordham and Northwood  
Northwood and Granger  
Northwood and Springfield  
Garden and Orlando/Gary  
Silver and Franklin St. Ext.  
Silver and Mountainview  
318 Silver  
Silver and Porter  
Silver and Belden Ct.
- \* **BUS NO. 11 (8:00 A.M.):**  
1341 Suffield  
South and Quail Hollow  
South and Cosgrove  
South and S. Brooke  
24 South  
1278 Main  
Main and Walter Way
- Main and Charles  
Main and Forest Ridge  
Main and Melrose  
Main and Adams  
Adams and Pineview  
Adams and Rosie  
Adams and Faymore  
Adams and Richardson  
372 Adams  
Suffield and Calico  
Suffield and Edgewater  
Mill and Silver Lake  
Mill and Family Lane
- \* **BUS NO. 12 (7:55 A.M.):**  
North St. Ext. & Stony Hill  
594 N. West  
682 N. West  
735 N. West  
788 N. West  
926 N. West  
North West and N. Westfield  
N. Westfield and Marlene  
N. Westfield and Parkedge  
837 N. Westfield  
819 N. Westfield  
765 N. Westfield  
620 N. Westfield  
604 N. Westfield  
N. Westfield and Allison  
Robin Ridge and Parkview  
536 N. Westfield  
Valley Brook & Clover Hill  
Valley Brook and Forest Hill  
N. Westfield and New York
- \* **BUS NO. 13 (7:50 A.M.):**  
Barry and S. West  
Barry and Sharon  
Barbara and Joann  
S. West and Kathy Terrace  
S. West and White Fox  
S. West and Red Fox  
319 S. West  
253 S. West  
S. West and Pheasant Hill  
South West and Shelly  
130 Elm  
Silver and Castle Hill  
Silver and Elm
- \* **BUS NO. 14 (7:55 A.M.):**  
420 Main  
105 Meadow  
324 Meadow  
369 Meadow  
Regency and Meadow  
454 Meadow (Heritage Village)  
Meadow and Editha  
River and Sterling/Pomeroy  
River and Riverside  
25 South Alhambra  
S. Alhambra and Corey  
Corey and Jannelle  
Corey and Alexander  
196 Corey  
Corey and Corey Colonial  
Edward and Main
- \* **BUS NO. 15 (7:55 A.M.):**  
Main and Wright  
Coventry and Main  
21 Leonard  
Leonard and Katherine  
Leonard and Peros  
Leonard and Danny  
River and Channell  
River and Florida  
River and Chestnut  
River and Lawnwood  
River and Dartmouth  
River and Deering  
River and Riviera  
Main and Woodcliff  
Main and Kanawha  
1485 Suffield (Longbrook Est.)  
Fernwood and Hunting  
Fernwood and Centerwood

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**Information On  
The Bus Schedules**

No route adjustments will occur during the **FIRST TWO WEEKS** of school unless the school department determines an emergency exists.

The times listed for the buses are the times the routes **begin**.

Late runs four days at each school (Middle, Jr. High, and Sr. High) are scheduled to begin in mid-September. Days at each school and the routes will be published in each school building.

In order to help you, the school department has requested that all bus inquiries must be directed to Terry Landry at the school business office. The telephone number is **821-0554**.





**BUSES - from Page 4a...****Clark School  
Kindergarten Drop-Off****9:10-11:45****(Drop-off to begin at approx. 11:50)**

South & Quail Hollow Dr.  
4 Centerwood St.  
Butternut & Butterwood  
Butternut & Primrose  
Butternut & Adams  
24 Mallard  
Mallard and Rosie Ln.  
141 Mallard  
Adams & Pineview Cir.  
Main & Melrose Pl.  
Main & Forest Ridge Ln.  
1158 Main St.  
1219 Main St.  
River & Riviera Dr.  
River & Deering St.  
507 River Rd.  
River & Florida Dr.  
River & Chestnut Ln.  
River & Lawnwood  
Main & Riverview Ave.  
1824 Main St.

**Clark School  
Kindergarten Pick-Up****12:45-3:20****(Pick-up to begin at approx. 12:15)**

Suffield & Longbook Estates  
1329 Suffield St.  
794 Suffield St.  
Suffield & Edgewater Rd.  
124 Mill St.  
Mill & Silver Lake Dr.  
Mill & Family Ln.  
Mill & Franklin  
Springfield and Franklin  
Springfield and Line (Sandcastles)  
Line & Fenton  
Line & Jamie Ln.  
184 Poplar  
Garden & Orlando  
Shoemaker & Cesan  
563 Shoemaker (Mon. & Tues. only)  
Shoemaker & Silver

**Clark School  
Bus Stops**

- \* **BUS NO. 2 (8:35 A.M.):**  
184 Poplar (p.m. only)  
Garden and Orlando/Phil  
374 Poplar  
Poplar and Rising  
955 Shoemaker  
Shoemaker & Cesan  
915 Shoemaker  
619 Shoemaker  
525 Shoemaker  
Shoemaker and Losito Ln.  
267 Shoemaker  
27 Shoemaker
- \* **BUS NO. 5 (8:30 A.M.):**  
Mill and Lincoln  
Mill and Franklin  
Mill and Kensington  
Mill and Norris  
Mill and William  
Turn Around  
695 Mill  
529 Mill  
537 Mill  
794 Suffield (p.m. only)  
Edgewater and Suffield  
1329 Suffield (p.m. only)  
Centerwood and Fernwood  
Butternut and Conifer  
Butternut and Hunting  
Butternut and Arbor  
1243 Suffield
- \* **BUS NO. 6 (8:30 A.M.):**  
Adams and Zachary  
Adams and Richardson  
Adams and Mallard  
Adams and Pineview  
83 Adams  
Main and Adams  
Main and Melrose  
Main and Bailey  
Main and Forest Ridge  
1158 Main (a.m. only)  
Main and Charles  
1202 Main  
1219 Main  
1307 Main
- \* **BUS NO. 8 (8:40 A.M.):**  
1485 Suffield (Condos)  
1629 Suffield  
1824 Main (a.m. only)

Main and Kanawha  
Main and Woodcliff  
1720 Main  
1520 Main  
1057 Suffield  
1017 Suffield  
Silver and Belden  
Silver and Porter  
393 Silver  
Silver and Mountainview  
Silver and Franklin St. Ext.  
Silver and Doane  
777 Silver (Lucia Lumber)  
811 Silver

- \* **BUS NO. 11 (8:30 A.M.):**  
River and Riviera  
River and Dartmouth  
164 River Rd.  
220 River Rd.  
507 River Rd.  
491 River Rd.  
River and Channell  
River and Campbell  
River and Florida  
River and Chestnut  
River and Lawnwood  
River and Shady Ln.  
24 South  
239 South  
South and S. Brooke
- \* **BUS NO. 13 (8:30 A.M.):**  
63 Poplar  
Springfield and Rhodes  
Springfield and Highland  
Springfield and Franklin  
Springfield and Mooreland  
Sandcastle Day Care (Spfld. & Line)  
Line and Jamie  
224 Mill/Family Lane  
Mill and Silver Lake  
111 Mill  
124 Mill  
733 Suffield

**Granger School  
Kindergarten Drop-Off****8:35-11:00****(Drop-off to begin at approx. 11:05)**

Springfield & Amherst Ave.  
Springfield & Franklin St.  
Springfield & Park St.  
34 Park St.  
163 Colemore St.  
Colemore & Horsham Pl.  
Colemore & Hastings St.  
976 Springfield St.  
Springfield & Belvidere Ave.  
Northwood & Springfield St.  
61 Northwood St.  
Vassar & Princeton  
24 Fordham Ave.  
89 Fordham Ave.  
Cambridge & Kellogg Ave.  
56 Tom St.  
North Westfield & Liswell Dr.  
North Westfield & Anvil St.  
Elmar & Hickory St.

**Granger School  
Kindergarten Pick-Up****12:10-2:45****(Pick-up to begin at approx. 11:35)**

- 1014 Shoemaker Lane  
Paul Revere & Independence Rd.  
385 South Westfield St.  
South Westfield & Bradford Dr.  
Barry & Cricket  
Barry & Christopher Ln.  
Barry & Dutchmaster  
779 South West St.  
703 Barry St.  
675 South West St.  
South West & White Fox  
South West & Red Fox  
South West & Tobacco Farm Rd.  
South West & Pheasant Hill  
50 South West St.  
186 North West St.  
North St. Ext. & Juniper Ridge  
Tina Lane & Michael St.  
Tina Lane & Nicole Ter.  
Southwick & Hope Farms Dr.

**Granger School  
Bus Stops**

- \* **BUS NO. 1 (8:00 A.M.):**  
17 N. West  
71 N. West  
156 N. West  
N. West and Karen Lynn Cir.  
220 N. West

327 N. West  
N. St. Ext. and Juniper Ridge  
North and Tom  
Colemore and Cherry  
Colemore and Park  
Colemore and Horsham  
Colemore and Witheridge  
Colemore and Hastings  
Kids Place (901 Springfield St.)  
976 Springfield St.

- \* **BUS NO. 2 (8:00 A.M.):**  
995 Shoemaker  
1014 Shoemaker (p.m. only)  
1036 Shoemaker  
1068 Shoemaker  
385 S. Westfield (p.m. only)  
408 S. Westfield  
S. Westfield and Bradford  
873 S. Westfield  
932 S. Westfield  
126 Barry  
Barry and Oakmont  
195 Barry  
248 Barry  
Barry and Cricket/Oak Ridge  
Barry and Christopher Ln.  
Barry and Dutchmaster  
Barry and Spear Farm  
380 Barry  
443 Barry  
579 Barry  
759 South West  
South West and Denise  
796 South West  
819 South West  
861 South West  
Turn Around  
781 South West

- \* **BUS NO. 4 (8:05 A.M.):**  
260 Southwick St.  
304 Southwick  
444 Southwick  
662 Southwick  
Turn Around  
675 Southwick  
447 Southwick  
387 Southwick  
Southwick & Carmel  
6 South West  
S. West and Wild Bill  
202 South West  
630 South West  
South West and Kathy Ter.  
Barbara and Joann  
66 Barbara  
Barry and Barbara  
Barry and Sharon

- \* **BUS NO. 8 (8:05 A.M.):**  
1 Pine St.  
Pine and Spruce  
230 Pine  
384 Pine  
422 Pine  
Turn Around  
467 Pine  
698 South West  
South West and White Fox  
South West and Red Fox  
319 South West  
291 South West  
253 South West  
67 South West  
281 Southwick  
295 Southwick  
Springfield and Amherst Ave.  
775 Springfield & Franklin

**Phelps School  
Kindergarten Drop-Off****9:10-11:45****(Drop-off to begin at approx. 11:50)**

14 Reed St.  
Reed & Vernon St.  
Virginia & Suffield St.  
Lancaster & Yorkshire  
30 Greenacre Ln.  
Country & Barn Rd.  
Suffield & Mansion Woods  
611 Suffield St.  
Silver & Pembroke  
107 Silver St.  
Silver & Castle Hill Rd.  
Samuel & Anthony St.  
Anthony & Suffield St.  
Suffield & Center St.  
182 Cooper St.  
165 Cooper St.  
39 Cooper St.  
420 Main St.  
Main & Harvey Johnson Dr.

**SEE BUSES - Page 6a...**



**BUSES - from 5a...****Phelps School  
Kindergarten Pick-Up****12:45-3:20****(Pick-up to begin at approx. 12:25)**

105 Meadow St.  
Meadow & James Ave.  
River & Barney St.  
28 South Alhambra  
Corey & North Alhambra  
436 Corey St.  
Corey & Alexander  
Corey & Corey Colonial  
School & Hearthstone  
School & Beverly  
River & Seymour  
River & Simpson  
Western & Meadowbrook  
617 River Rd.  
River & Glendale  
Leonard & Danny Ln.  
Leonard & Roberta Cir.  
Leonard & Katherine

**Phelps School  
Bus Stops****\* BUS NO. 1 (8:45 A.M.):**

46 Reed St.  
Reed and Vernon  
Reed and Potomac  
Virginia and Suffield  
161 Suffield  
Cooper and Brien  
Cooper and Lancaster  
Cooper and Yarmouth/Karen  
Turn Around  
Cooper and Tracy  
30 Greenacre  
Greenacre and Country  
Country and Barn  
Cooper and Cardinal  
Cooper and Senator (1st)  
Cooper and Bell  
Cooper and Senator (2nd)  
Cooper and Federal St. Ext.  
Cooper and Fairview  
39 Cooper  
Cooper and Federal Ave.

**\* BUS NO. 10 (8:40 A.M.):**

Corey and Corey Colonial  
Corey and Alexander  
Corey and Jannelle  
436 Corey  
Corey and N. Alhambra  
25 S. Alhambra  
921 River Rd.  
31 Simpson  
Meadowbrook and River Rd.  
School and Beverly  
343 School  
School and Plantation  
School and Hearthstone  
184 School Street  
149 School Street

**\* BUS NO. 14 (8:30 A.M.):**

352 Suffield  
Suffield and Mansion Woods  
636 Suffield  
87 Perry Ln.  
Perry Ln. and Elm  
109 Silver St.  
Silver and Castle Hill  
743 Suffield  
709 Suffield  
Clematis and Althea  
Samuel and Anthony  
Anthony and Suffield  
Suffield and Center

**\* BUS NO. 15 (8:40 A.M.):**

31 Federal  
Federal and Prince  
420 Main  
Main and Harvey Johnson  
Main and Meadow  
105 Meadow  
194 Meadow  
359 Meadow  
369 Meadow  
Meadow and James Ave.  
418 Meadow (Heritage Village)  
Meadow and Editha  
River and Barney  
River and Seymour

**\* BUS NO. 16 (8:40 A.M.):**

Silver and Pembroke  
Elm and Silver  
159 Elm  
126 Elm  
Leonard and Katherine  
Leonard and Debra  
Leonard and Roberta  
Leonard and Danny  
Merrell and River Rd.  
Merrell and Western

Western and Clifton  
Clifton and River  
River and Glendale  
River and Warren

**Robinson Park  
Kindergarten Drop-Off****9:10-11:45****(Drop-off to begin at approx. 11:48)**

38 Wilson  
North & Taft St.  
North & McKinley St.  
North & Cleveland St.  
North & Arnold St.  
North & James St.  
North & Letendre Ave.  
479 North St.  
North & Ridgeway Dr.  
Audubon & Wilbert Ter.  
North St. Ext. & Kosciusko Ave.  
North St. Ext. & Stony Hill Rd.  
692 North West St.  
1072 North West & Peterson Cir.  
985 North Westfield St.  
726 North Westfield St.  
Robin Ridge & Oriole Dr.  
Robin Ridge & Pleasant Valley Rd.  
154 Parkview  
Fox Farms & Briar Hill  
23 Valleybrook Rd.  
Homer & Gale  
Springfield & Broz Ter.

**Robinson Park  
Kindergarten Pick-Up****12:45-3:20****(Pick-up to begin at approx. 12:30)**

Springfield & Sheri Lane  
Springfield & Royal Ln./Kristen Ln.  
Springfield & Rowley  
Maple & Sutton Pl.  
Maple & Tower Ter.  
Bridge & Ottawa St.  
Bridge & High St.  
Bridge & Church St.  
11 River St.  
91 Walnut St.  
Walnut & Lexington St.

**Robinson Park  
Bus Stops****\* BUS NO. 3 (8:30 A.M.):**

North St. Ext. & Belmont  
989 North St. Ext.  
1004 North St. Ext.  
1067 North St. Ext.  
North St. Ext. & Kosciusko  
1156 North St. Ext.  
North St. Ext. and Stony Hill  
466 North West  
482 North West  
594 North West  
682 North West  
735 North West  
747 North West  
788 North West  
926 North West  
1034 North West & Peterson Cir.

**\* BUS NO. 4 (8:40 A.M.):**

North and Cherry  
North and Barberry  
North and Letendre  
North and James  
North and Oak Lane/Arnold  
North and Cleveland  
North and Liberty  
North and Taft  
North and Wilson  
North and Harding  
North and Maynard  
North and Grant

**\* BUS NO. 7 (8:30 A.M.):**

791 North St.  
North & Pleasant  
26 Robin Ridge  
Pleasant Valley & Beech Hill  
Pleasant Valley & High Meadow  
Robin Ridge & High Meadow  
Robin Ridge & Beech Hill  
Robin Ridge & Parkview  
Parkview & Thalia (both ends)  
19 Briar Hill  
Fox Farms and Strawberry Hill  
Strawberry Hill & Fieldstone Cir.  
Valleybrook & Forest Hill  
Clover Hill & Forest Hill  
Clover Hill & Valleybrook  
Clover Hill & Strawberry Hill

**\* BUS NO. 9 (8:25 A.M.):**

374 N. Westfield  
536 N. Westfield  
604 N. Westfield  
694 N. Westfield  
726 N. Westfield  
Turn Around  
1101 N. Westfield  
N. Westfield & Marlene  
1023 N. Westfield  
985 N. Westfield  
N. Westfield & Parkedge  
765 N. Westfield  
N. Westfield & Provin Mt.  
N. Westfield & Allison  
N. Westfield & New York

**\* BUS NO. 12 (8:35 A.M.):**

Springfield and Kristen  
Springfield and Day  
Springfield and Arnold/Chapin  
Springfield and Shibley Ct.  
Springfield and Broz Ter.  
Homer and Gale  
Homer and Homer St.  
612 North St.  
North and Nolan Ln.  
Wilbert and Audubon  
Audubon and Ridgeway  
Acorn and Sylvan  
505 North St.  
479 North St.

**AHS Attendance  
Regulations  
Will Be Enforced**

*Purpose—Agawam High School is committed to providing quality education to all students. As reflected by the philosophy of Agawam High School and the community, education is a key factor for success and can only be achieved through regular class attendance, student participation, and academic achievement.*

Students will be given subject expectation and classroom procedure statements by their classroom teachers. The expectation sheets will describe the subject curriculum to be covered and the grading system which will include a participation assessment. Constant monitoring of attendance will take place each class period.

Computer-generated letters will be sent home to alert parents of student absenteeism. Letters will be generated when students are absent eight times from class. There will be no difference between excused and non-excused absences.

Long-term illness: Student is withdrawn and given a home tutor. This is the only exception. If the student qualifies for a tutor, he/she does not lose credit.





# AGAWAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS

1305 SPRINGFIELD STREET  
FEEDING HILLS, MA 01030

## School Calendar 1998-1999

182 school days (pupils)  
\*1 non-teaching day (teachers)  
5 inclement weather days



| S                | M  | T  | W  | Th | F  | S  | S               | M  | T  | W  | Th | F  | S  |
|------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| <b>September</b> |    |    |    |    |    |    | <b>October</b>  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|                  |    | *1 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 |                 |    |    |    | 01 | 02 | 03 |
| 06               | 07 | 08 | 09 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 04              | 05 | 06 | 07 | 08 | 09 | 10 |
| 13               | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 11              | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 20               | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 18              | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 27               | 28 | 29 | 30 |    |    |    | 25              | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |
| (20 days)        |    |    |    |    |    |    | (21 days)       |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| <b>November</b>  |    |    |    |    |    |    | <b>December</b> |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 01               | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 | 07 |                 |    | 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 |
| 08               | 09 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 06              | 07 | 08 | 09 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 15               | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 13              | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 22               | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 20              | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 29               | 30 |    |    |    |    |    | 27              | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |    |    |
| (18 days)        |    |    |    |    |    |    | (16 days)       |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| <b>January</b>   |    |    |    |    |    |    | <b>February</b> |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|                  |    |    |    |    | 01 | 02 |                 | 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 |
| 03               | 04 | 05 | 06 | 07 | 08 | 09 | 07              | 08 | 09 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
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| 17               | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 21              | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 24               | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 28              |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 31               |    |    |    |    |    |    |                 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| (19 days)        |    |    |    |    |    |    | (15 days)       |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| <b>March</b>     |    |    |    |    |    |    | <b>April</b>    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|                  | 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 |                 |    |    | 01 | 02 | 03 |    |
| 07               | 08 | 09 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 04              | 05 | 06 | 07 | 08 | 09 | 10 |
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| 28               | 29 | 30 | 31 |    |    |    | 25              | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |    |
| (23 days)        |    |    |    |    |    |    | (16 days)       |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| <b>May</b>       |    |    |    |    |    |    | <b>June</b>     |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|                  |    |    |    |    |    | 01 |                 | 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 |    |
| 02               | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 | 07 | 08 | 06              | 07 | 08 | 09 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 09               | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 13              | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 16               | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 20              | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 23               | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 27              | 28 | 29 | 30 |    |    |    |
| 30               | 31 |    |    |    |    |    |                 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| (20 days)        |    |    |    |    |    |    | (19 days)       |    |    |    |    |    |    |

September 2 — Schools Open  
September 7 — Labor Day  
October 12 — Columbus Day  
November 11 — Veterans' Day  
Nov. 26 - 27 — Thanksgiving Recess  
Dec. 23 - Jan. 1 — Winter Recess

January 4 — Schools Reopen  
January 18 — Martin Luther King Day  
February 15-19 — Mid-Winter Vacation  
April 2 — Good Friday  
April 19-23 — Spring Vacation  
May 31 — Memorial Day  
June 25 — Schools Close



## Regulations Regarding Student Drug & Alcohol Abuse In Agawam Schools

The School Committee recognizes that the use of drugs/alcohol illegally and/or inappropriately constitutes a hazard to the positive development of students, and that the welfare of certain students is being compromised by drug/alcohol-related problems.

Accordingly, the School Committee shall attempt to clarify through this policy and the accompanying administrative rules, the rights and responsibilities of the principals, teachers, students, and parents in dealing with the complex legal, social, educational, and emotional conditions associated with drug/alcohol use and abuse.

At the same time, the Committee shall attempt to make clear the different forms of action which, depending upon the severity of a drug/alcohol-related incident, must be taken and those which shall be left to the discretion of the principals, teachers, and students.

While the Committee cannot and shall not allow the sale, use, or possession of illegal drugs/alcohol on school property, the Committee strongly desires to demonstrate its abiding concern for the welfare of an individual student and the general welfare of the school population by offering expert, continued, and supportive advice and counsel to its students.

In cases where a student violates this policy by the use of drugs/alcohol illegally within the school boundaries or within the school or is involved in the sale, possession or exchange of drugs/alcohol within the school or within the school boundaries, the student will be disciplined in accordance with the School Committee approved rules governing student drug/alcohol abuse.

It shall be the responsibility of the superintendent, or his designee, to inform school personnel, students, and parents of this policy and related administrative regulations. Copies of these statements shall be provided to students and parents upon request.

**I. In instances of student drug/alcohol use and abuse,** the role of the schools is basically educational. The following regulations have been established to help assure the welfare of individual students as well as the general welfare of the school population.

**A.** In accordance with existing state and federal laws, the civil rights of all students under investigation for drug/alcohol possession or use will be protected to the fullest extent possible by the administration.

**B.** The intent of the drug/alcohol policy is rehabilitative rather than punitive.

**II. Any student or parent who seeks guidance** on a drug/alcohol problem from any school administrator, counselor, teacher, or other staff person will be provided with such guidance without disciplinary action as long as the student is not observed on school grounds selling, possessing, or using alcohol or drugs.

When confronted by a student who is seeking guidance, staff will follow the procedure outlined below:

**A.** Refer the student to an appropriate agency.

**B.** Exercise appropriate judgement in making parental contact with consideration for the student's wishes.

**C.** Notify the building principal of any drug/alcohol counseling in order to coordinate all possible means of assistance available to the student.

### III. Responsibilities

Individuals must accept their responsibilities according to their recognized abilities and roles.

#### A. Students

**1. Students who possess, sell, or exchange** drugs/alcohol within the school boundaries or within the school will be subject to criminal charges as well as disciplinary action as outlined below:

**a.** First offense—suspension from school for a minimum of three school days and a maximum of 10 school days.

**b.** Second and succeeding offenses—Referral to the School Committee with the recommendation that the student be expelled from school.

**2. Students found to be under the influence** of drugs/alcohol will be liable for disciplinary action as outlined below:

**a.** First offense—Suspension from school for a minimum of three school days.

**b.** Second offense—Suspension from school for a minimum of 10 school days.

**c.** Third and succeeding offenses—Referral to the School Committee with the recommendation that the student be expelled.

In all cases of suspension or expulsion for drug/alcohol-related acts, there must be a conference with the school administration by the parent or guardian of the student prior to reinstatement of the student. Students who are subjected to suspension or expulsion for drug/alcohol-related problems may request a hearing before the School Committee.

**B. Teachers, counselors, and staff** will be cognizant of drug problems and use professional judgement in observing students concerning drug/alcohol use and/or possession.

**1. Any staff member** who observes a student in possession of alcohol or drugs will be required to immediately inform the building principal.

**2. Any staff person who is reasonably convinced** that a student is under the influence of drugs/alcohol should use the following procedure:

**a.** Notify the school nurse immediately. In the event that the school nurse is not present, the building principal or his designee should be notified immediately.

**b.** If the school nurse feels the illness is drug/alcohol-related, he/she will notify the building principal or his designee.

**c.** First aid will be administered as necessary and as prescribed by law.

**d.** If a parent cannot be contacted, and the illness persists, the school nurse will contact the family physician or school physician and follow his direction. If no physician can be contacted, the nurse will arrange to hospitalize the student.

#### C. Administrators

**1. Administrators who find a student** in possession of alcohol, suspected drug material or narcotic devices will do the following:

**a.** Ask the police to identify the suspected materials.

**b.** Notify the student's parents if the analysis demonstrates the presence of alcohol or drugs.

**c.** The principal may also take any other action at this time as deemed appropriate.

**d.** Student lockers are the property of the

school department and may be searched by the building principal or his designee when there is sufficient reason to believe that a student is using school property to conceal illegal drugs or alcohol. All such searches will be conducted in accordance with the School Committee's policy (see statement coded JFG).

**2. When an administrator is reasonably convinced** a student is under the influence of drugs or alcohol, he/she should take the following steps:

**a.** The building principal or his designee will contact the parents.

**b.** Following contact with the parents, the principal or his designee, with the advice of the school nurse, will decide whether the student should remain in school or be taken home by the parents.

**c.** Any notification of appropriate law enforcement agencies will be the responsibility of the building principal or his designee.

**d.** A referral to the student's guidance counselor will be made.

#### D. Parents

**1. Because supportive action by the parents is crucial** to the success of any counseling, the parents will be encouraged to contact the principal if they are concerned about their child's possible drug/alcohol-related behavior, and the principal will encourage the parents to become involved in any aspect of drug/alcohol counseling which is deemed desirable.

**2. It is important that parents follow the school system's policy** on administering drugs to students (see statement coded JHCD) and inform the school of any medication prescribed for and used by a student while in school.

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## AGAWAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Do you have questions about your preschooler? If you would like a screening or more information, please contact the Special Services Department.

☐ I would like a screening for my child.

☐ I would like to speak to a member of the Special Services Staff.

☐ I would like a copy of the Parent Handbook.

**PLEASE SEND TO: Special Services Office  
1305 Springfield Street  
Feeding Hills, MA 01030  
Or Call 821-0557 For More Information.**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_



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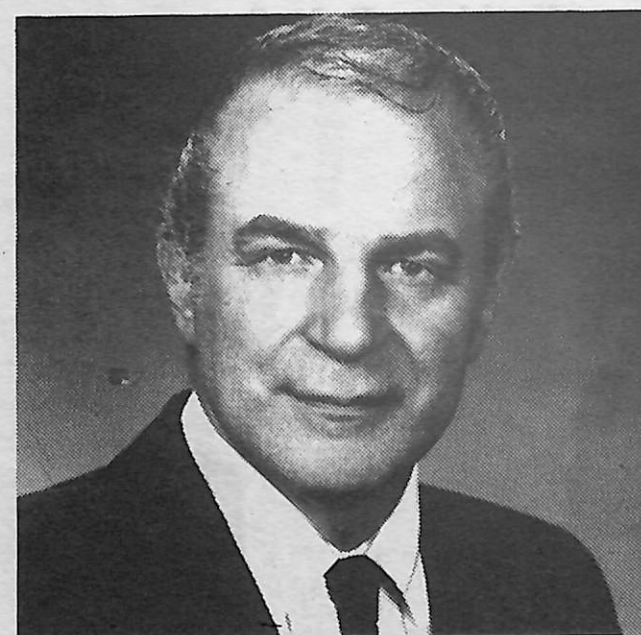
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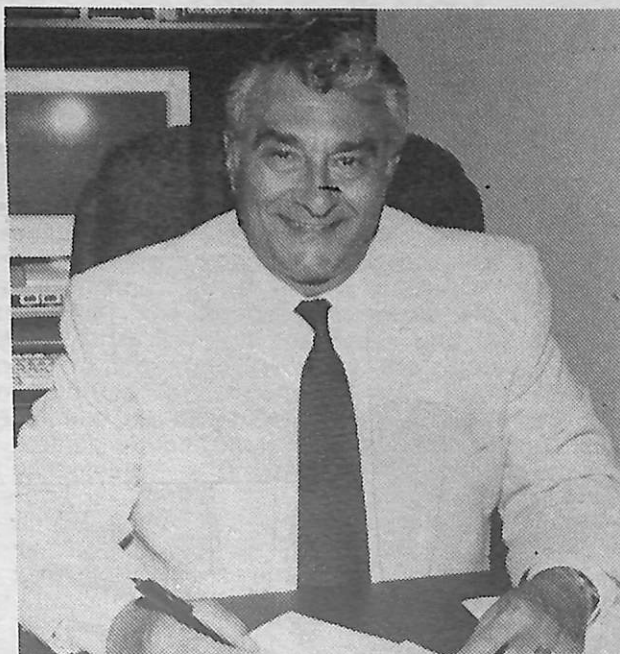


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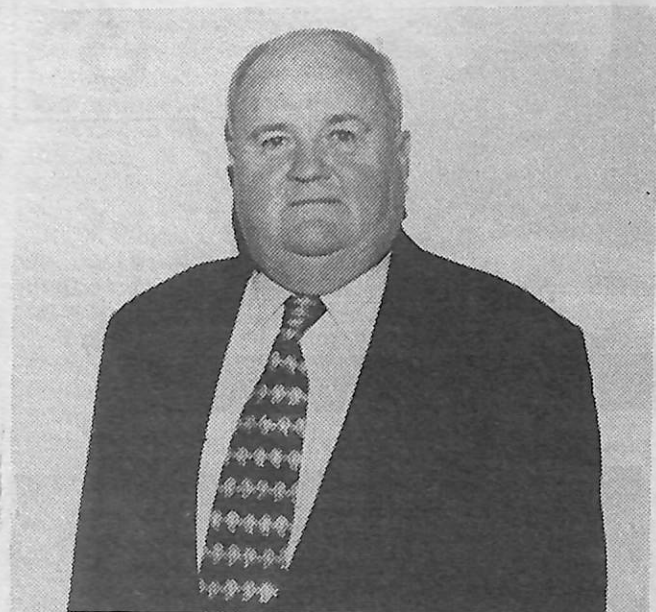
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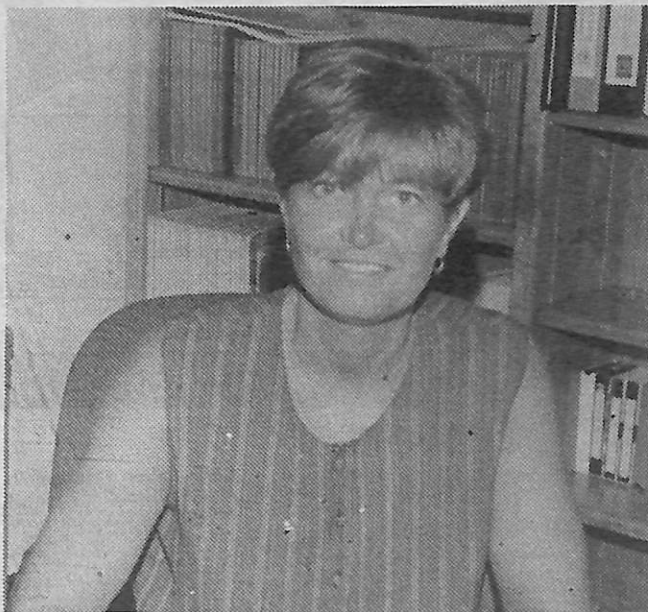
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## Main Telephone Numbers For The Agawam Schools

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Business Office             | 821-0551 |
| Clark School                | 821-0571 |
| Granger School              | 821-0580 |
| Junior High School          | 821-0542 |
| Junior High School Guidance | 821-0566 |
| Middle School               | 789-1400 |
| Phelps School               | 821-0586 |
| Robinson Park School        | 821-0582 |
| Senior High School          | 821-0530 |
| Senior High School Guidance | 821-0527 |
| Special Services            | 821-0540 |





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## Agawam Schools' Policy On Hazing

Chapter 536 of the Acts of 1985 (also known as Massachusetts General Law Chapter 269, Sections 17-19) is a new law which took effect on November 26th, 1985, reads as follows:

Chapter 269 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following three sections:

**Section 17.** Whoever is a principal organizer or participant in the crime of hazing as defined herein shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment in a house of correction for not more than 100 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

The term "hazing" as used in this section and in sections 18 and 19, shall mean any conduct or method of initiation into any student organization, whether on public or private property, which willfully or recklessly endangers the physical or mental health of any student or other person. Such conduct shall include whipping, beating, branding, forced calisthenics, exposure to the weather, forced consumption of any food, liquor, beverage, drug or other substance, or any other brutal treatment or forced physical activity which is likely to adversely affect the physical health or safety of any such student or other person, or which subjects such student or other person to extreme mental stress, including extended deprivation of sleep or rest or extended isolation.

**Section 18.** Whoever knows that another person is the victim of hazing as defined in Section 17 and is at the scene of such crime shall, to the extent that such person can do so without danger or peril to himself or others, report such crime to an appropriate law enforcement official as soon as reasonably practicable. Whoever fails to report such crime shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500.

**Section 19.** Each secondary school and each public and private school or college shall issue to every group or organization under its authority or operating on or in conjunction with its campus or school, and to every member, plebe, pledgee, or applicant for membership in such group or organization, a copy of this Section and Sections 17 and 18. An officer of each such group or organization, and each individual receiving a copy of said Sections 17 and 18 shall sign an acknowledgment stating that such group, organization, or individual has received a copy of said Sections 17 and 18.

Each secondary school and each public or private school or college shall file, at least annually, a report with the regents of higher education and in the case of secondary schools, the board of education, certifying that such institution has complied with the provisions of this section and also certifying that said school has adopted a disciplinary policy with regards to the organizers and participants of hazing. The board of regents and in the case of secondary schools, the board of education, shall promulgate regulations governing the content and frequency of such reports, and shall forthwith report to the attorney general any such institution which fails to make such report.

**Alexis Ferioli**Secretary to the Assistant Superintendent  
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821-0570**Ann Zavarella**Secretary to the Deputy Superintendent  
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## Immunizations Must Up Updated In Order For Children To Attend School

The School Immunization Law, a section of the General Laws, states that: "No child shall be admitted to school except on presentation of a physician's certificate that the child has been successfully immunized against Diphtheria, Pertussis (whooping cough), Tetanus, Mumps, Measles, Rubella, Poliomyelitis, and such other communicable diseases as may be specified from time to time by the Department of Public Health." Lead poisoning screening is also required.

Our school nurses are actively trying to have

the Agawam schools comply with the mandate by sending reminders to parents and guardians to update their children's immunizations during the summer months. It will be necessary to have all children fully immunized or in the process of immunization for attendance in school. The Health Department urges parents to take care of this requirement as soon as possible.

Please refer any questions to your school nurse, Department of Health office, or family physician.

*Our "Back To School" edition is your source for all the news regarding the upcoming school year ... AAN!!!*

## Agawam Adult Education

760 Cooper Street  
Agawam, MA 01001  
Telephone 821-0522 or 821-0527  
Director - Paul C. Cavallo  
**FALL 1998 CALENDAR**

| S                     | M   | T   | W   | Th | F  | S                    | S  | M  | T  | W  | Th | F  | S  |
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Registration for the Fall semester of the Agawam Adult Education Program will be held on Tuesday evening, September 8th, and Wednesday evening, September 9th, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Agawam High School.

Registration will also be held during the first week of classes on Monday, September 14th, and Wednesday, September 16th, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Agawam High School's Main Office (located in the front of the school).

Classes will begin on Monday, September 14th, and run for 10 weeks, ending on December 2, 1998.

There will be no school on the following dates: Monday, October 12, 1998 (Columbus Day); Wednesday, November 11, 1998 (Veterans' Day); Monday and Wednesday, November 23 and 25, 1998 (Thanksgiving week).

Notification of school closing: If Agawam schools are closed because of inclement weather, evening school is also closed. Local radio stations will also announce any cancellations. Make-up days for inclement weather will be scheduled

during the term.

The tuition charge is \$70 per course and is payable at the time of registration. No refunds will be given after the second class meeting. Tuition will be refunded if there is an insufficient number of students registered for a course(s). The administration reserves the right to cancel course(s) for lack of registration.

Those persons interested in working toward a high school diploma should bring with them a transcript of any course work completed since ninth grade.

The following is a list of the courses and the nights they are being offered this semester:

**Monday Classes:** English 11, English 12, General Science, World History, Geometry, Algebra I, Algebra II, EXCEL, Windows 95 (PowerPoint and Access), World Wide Web Publishing - Beginners.

**Wednesday Classes:** English 9, English 10, U.S. History, Chemistry, General Math, Computer Concepts, Microsoft WORD I, Oil Painting.





AHS PRINCIPAL JOSEPH S. ZABIELSKI

## A Message For The Class Of 1999

### Dear Seniors:

As seniors, this is your year; the culminating experience of many years of public education that started in childhood and ends in emerging adulthood.

This is a special year for you - one of memories and challenges, and achievements and decision. As your principal, I am looking forward to working with you in anticipation of this very important year.

I do not have to tell you about the special role that seniors play in any high school. This is especially true here, where the senior tradition is strong. You are the leaders of this school. People look up to you; they look to you to set the tone and to provide the driving force that builds "spirit."

Your maturity and attitude can definitely impact the type of year we will have. Knowing this, I ask you to join me in a partnership to lead our school to new heights in achievement. Together, we can make this a great school year.

Being realistic, I must caution you. Do not pursue a path that will prevent you from receiving your diploma in June. The greatest threat to realizing this goal will be overconfidence and the false sense of security that comes from thinking that it can't happen to me. Believe me, it can.

This year, strive for the best. Use drive, determination, and self-discipline to excel. Through teamwork, let us join together to meet the challenges of your senior year successfully.

Joseph S. Zabielski  
Principal - Agawam High School

## Guidance Department

Students enrolled in the Agawam Public Schools, grades 5 through 12 have been assigned a guidance counselor. At the middle and junior high schools, students are assigned by grade level: Grade 5 & 6—Mr. Thomas Dacey; Grade 7—Mr. Francis Meagher; Grade 8—Mrs. Jane Lucardi.

Students at the senior high school are assigned to one of the following counselors: Mr. Alan Cohen, Mr. Thomas Dacey, Mrs. Ann Marie Gould, Mrs. Judith Cohen, or Mrs. Jane Williams. At all schools, any guidance counselor will assist your child if the need arises.

Counseling of students occurs on a regular basis and includes such areas as academic progress, individual programming, adjustment problems, career and vocational information, orientation of new students, and referrals of students with special needs. The counselors also arrange, administer, and interpret standardized tests. This information is available upon request.

Parents may request parent-teacher conferences, homework assignments during a period of absence, and progress reports. In addition, guidance counselors at the senior high school offer information concerning career planning, scholarships, financial aid, and college applications.

The guidance counselors sincerely encourage parents to avail themselves of these services and to contact the guidance counselors at any time concerning their children.

# Briefs From Agawam High School

Joseph S. Zabielski, Principal

### THE SPIRIT OF EDUCATION

It is important for the entire community to understand that there is a definite purpose and a wide range of expectations that embody the heart and soul of the High School. The entire staff is committed to the fulfillment of the following:

#### Statement of Purpose of Agawam High School

Agawam High School, in partnership with the community, promotes the intellectual, social, emotional, and physical development of its students to prepare them for a productive and fulfilling life. A wide variety of quality instructional programs as well as a safe, securing learning environment based on respect and responsibility will be offered. Students will be encouraged to develop high academic, personal, and social standards in order to acquire and apply the knowledge, skills, and values necessary to become self-reliant citizens in an ever-changing world.

#### Expectations For Student Performance

##### Academic Expectations

Agawam High School students will:

- read a wide variety of literary works relating to human aspirations and life experience.
- develop listening skills to process information effectively and value oral expression.
- analyze what they read, hear, and write.
- communicate through oral, written, artistic, and other means of expression.
- be encouraged to communicate effectively in at least one language other than English.
- understand and appreciate the richness of American culture and the values and the achievements of other cultures in the global community.
- demonstrate a proficiency in the use of basic laboratory equipment to gather and analyze data in the formation of relationships to draw appropriate conclusions.
- integrate mathematical and scientific skills and concepts in order to apply them to human concerns and life experiences.
- be able to apply current technologies to academic as well as pragmatic applications.
- recognize the major political, social, economic, and historical forces and events that have forged the past and present world.
- identify the individuals and groups of individuals who have played a significant role in the development of society.
- develop personal health habits, including regular physical exercise that enhances their own physical and emotional growth that they will utilize throughout life.
- learn the basic concepts of sexuality, parenting, disease prevention, nutrition, human development, and mental health so that they understand the implication of healthy habits for self and society.
- be exposed to the arts for personal growth and enjoyment through student display and performance.
- be exposed to the creative process within the arts and be taught their importance in shaping and reflecting historical and cultural heritage.

##### Social Expectations

Agawam High School students will:

- respect peers, teachers, staff, and school property.
- respect individual differences such as gender, ability, sexual identity, ethnicity, culture, and language.
- recognize when, where, and how to seek help and support services.
- use appropriate methods to resolve conflicts and disagreements.
- be encouraged to become involved citizens in school, local, and global activities.
- have an opportunity to influence decisions on school policy.
- manage personal time and balance competing priorities and interests.
- recognize the need for rules, regulations, and accountability.

#### Expectations For School Performance

Agawam High School will:

- provide a safe, secure, and healthy environment.
- provide a diverse and stimulating curriculum which includes opportunities for cross-curriculum learning.
- update and maintain equipment and learning materials.
- provide up-to-date library materials and a media center equipped with state-of-the-art technology.
- provide a schedule which allows sufficient

time and a sufficient place for various school activities.

- provide sufficient faculty to implement student goals and expectations.
- provide teacher professional development to meet the changing needs of the school and its students.
- provide opportunities for constant curriculum revision.
- enforce discipline fairly.
- encourage students to deal with real life situations.
- involve students in school governance.
- provide a support service for student harassment.
- provide clubs, activities, counseling, and courses that encourage student sensitivity to diversity.
- expand student awareness of career opportunities.
- provide the opportunity for more standardized testing.
- provide SAT preparation and test-taking courses.
- communicate more efficiently within the school and community.
- acknowledge student and staff achievement.

### STAFFING

Presently, there is no shortage of candidates for teacher and counselor positions at Agawam High School. There were 58 applicants for two social studies positions, 17 applicants for one English position, 12 applicants for one resource room teaching position, eight applicants for one guidance position, seven applicants for one home school adjustment counselor position, and 20 applicants for two science positions.

The quality of the candidates interviewed was very good and many of the candidates commented about the quality of education at Agawam High School as their motivation for applying for the positions. The addition of eight new talented people is going to result in many positive achievements for the High School.

### THE PHYSICAL PLANT

Over \$7 million has been spent on the physical improvement of Agawam High School. The results have been phenomenal. Rather than elaborate on what has been done, the High School administration will be conducting an open house in the fall. The entire community will be invited to tour the facility and see first-hand the incredible commitment made to Agawam High School by the city's political and educational leaders.

### SCHOOL CLIMATE

Many strategies have been successfully employed over the past two years by the High School administration to foster a school climate based on student respect and responsibility. Several new approaches to problems within the domain of respect and responsibility will be tried for the the 1998-1999 school year.

Parents or guardians need to be more cognizant of the fact that tardiness to school negatively impacts student performance and clearly violates state time and learning regulations. Last year, an automated phone system and vigilant monitoring of tardiness were utilized to help successfully reduce tardiness.

In order to continue to reduce tardiness, parents or guardians need to know that a student will not be allowed to sign in to school tardy upon the sixth tardiness unless accompanied by a parent or guardian. The administration is hopeful that this, combined with existing practices, will further reduce tardiness.

The problem of smoking continues to be a nightmare. Too many students selfishly disregard the right of non-smoking members of the student body to a healthy laboratory.

Hypnotherapy, smoking cessation information, and internal suspension have been utilized in the past with little success. As a result, the High School administration intends to try external suspension and increased parental contact to combat the problem. The administration will also be contacting businesses and the Department of Social Services for assistance with the problem.

Theft is an on-going problem at the High School. To deal with this, security cameras will be added to the building, teachers will be instructed to become more proactive, and doors will be locked shortly after school gets out. In addition, the administration will vigorously encourage students to buy additional locks from the AHS office to be placed on as many lockers as possible as an extra precaution. (Only locks purchased at the AHS office are allowed on school lockers.)

*Remember, the Agawam public schools will reopen on Wednesday, September 2nd*



# Agawam High School's Discipline System

The Agawam High School discipline system is based on many factors. It is reflective of the combined effort of the administration, faculty, student government, school council and others. It is also reflective of national and state reform movements that emphasize the importance of safe schools. The fundamental purpose of the discipline system is to insist that student behavior be based on respect and responsibility.

## DISCIPLINE POLICIES ZERO TOLERANCE

A. Any student who is found on school premises or at school-sponsored or school-related events, including athletic games, in possession of a dangerous weapon, including but not limited to a gun or knife, or a controlled substance as defined in Chapter Ninety-Four C, including but not limited to marijuana, cocaine and heroin, will be suspended and may be subject to expulsion from the school or school district by the principal.

B. Any student who is found on school premises or at school-sponsored events, including athletic games, under the influence or in exchange or sale of alcohol or a controlled substance as defined in Chapter Ninety-Four C, including but not limited to marijuana, cocaine, and heroin, will be suspended and may be subject to expulsion from the school or school district by the principal.

C. Any student who assaults or threatens a principal, deputy principal, dean of students, teacher, teacher's aide, or other educational staff on school premises or at school-sponsored or school-related events, including athletic games, will be suspended and may be subject to expulsion from the school or school district by the principal.

D. Any student who is involved in arson, the assault and battery of another student, dangerous threats to another student, bomb threats, false fire alarms or other dangerous behavior on school premises or at school-sponsored or school-related events, including athletic games, will be suspended or may be subject to expulsion from the school or school district by the principal.

E. Any student who is charged with a violation of any of the above shall be notified of an opportunity for a hearing. In cases of expulsion, the student may also have representation and the opportunity to present evidence and witnesses at said hearing before the principal.

F. Police will be notified in all cases.

## SUSPENDABLE BEHAVIORS INTERNAL SUSPENSION GUIDELINES

Internal suspension may be assigned by an administrator as an alternative to out-of-school suspension. Parents are notified. Students assigned to internal suspension are isolated from their peers for the duration of their assignment. They must agree to and sign a copy of the internal suspension rules. During the time in internal suspension, students are assigned academic work by their classroom teachers.

## SMOKING

No smoking is allowed anywhere in the building or on school grounds during the school day. Massachusetts State Law M.G.L., Chapter 71, Section 2A PROHIBITS THE USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS. IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL FOR ANY STUDENT, ENROLLED IN EITHER PRIMARY OR SECONDARY PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE COMMONWEALTH, TO USE TOBACCO PRODUCTS OF ANY TYPE ON SCHOOL GROUNDS IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS. This policy also prohibits the use of snuff and chewing tobacco.

## CONSEQUENCES:

- 1st offense — one day internal suspension.
- 2nd offense — two days internal suspension.
- 3rd offense — three days internal suspension.

Further offenses — internal or external suspension at the discretion of the administration.

## TRUANCY

Attendance at every session of school is absolutely essential for good scholastic standing. While school is in session, all outside interests should be considered of secondary importance. Appointments with doctors and dentists should not be made during school hours.

If you are truant you will forfeit all normal make-up privileges. Your work will be counted at half value. Parent notification will be a usual consequence, and persistent truancy can result in a student contract, request for withdrawal from school, or a recommendation for expulsion from school.

## CONSEQUENCES:

- 1st offense — one day internal suspension.
- 2nd offense — two days internal suspension.
- 3rd offense — three days internal suspension.

## USE OR POSSESSION OF FIREWORKS, STINK BOMBS, ANIMAL SCENTS, LIGHTS

- 1st offense — three days external suspension.
- 2nd offense — five days external suspension.
- 3rd offense — 10 days external suspension and recommendation for expulsion; police to be notified in certain cases.

## THEFT OF PERSONAL OR SCHOOL PROPERTY

- 1st offense — three days external suspension.

- 2nd offense — five days external suspension.

3rd offense — 10 days external suspension and recommendation for expulsion; return of stolen property or restitution also required; police to be notified in certain cases.

## TAMPERING WITH FIRE EXTINGUISHER

- 1st offense — three days external suspension.
- 2nd offense — four days external suspension.
- 3rd offense — five days external suspension.

## INITIATION OF A FOOD FIGHT

- 1st offense — three days external suspension.
- 2nd offense — 10 days external suspension and recommendation for expulsion; restitution may also be required.

## PARTICIPATION IN FOOD THROWING

- 1st offense — two days external suspension.
- 2nd offense — three days external suspension.
- 3rd offense — four days external suspension; restitution may also be required.

## VANDALISM: DEFACING OR DAMAGING SCHOOL PROPERTY INCLUDING COMPUTERS AND THEIR RECORD FILES AND SYSTEMS

- 1st offense — up to three days internal suspension.
- 2nd offense — three to five days internal suspension.

3rd offense — five to 10 days external suspension; restitution will be required in all cases.

## PROFANITY OR VULGARITY DIRECTED AT SCHOOL STAFF

- 1st offense — written apology and two days internal suspension.
- 2nd offense — written apology and four days internal suspension.
- 3rd offense — three to five days external suspension.

## GAMBLING

- 1st offense — one day internal suspension.
- 2nd offense — two days internal suspension.
- 3rd offense — three days internal suspension; police may be notified in certain circumstances.

## USE OF RACIAL, RELIGIOUS, ETHNIC SLURS OR SYMBOLS THAT DEMEAN OTHERS

- 1st offense — written apology and two days internal suspension.
- 2nd offense — written apology and three days internal suspension.
- 3rd offense — written apology and four days internal suspension.

## HARASSMENT SUCH AS REPEATED NAME CALLING

- 1st offense — written apology and one day internal suspension.
- 2nd offense — written apology and two days internal suspension.
- 3rd offense — written apology and three days internal suspension.

## MISUSE OF INHALANTS, GLUE, ETC.

- 1st offense — three days external suspension.
- 2nd offense — five days external suspension.
- 3rd offense — 10 days external suspension and recommendation for expulsion.

## UNEXCUSED ABSENCE FROM OR TARDINESS TO AN INTERNAL SUSPENSION ASSIGNMENT

- 1st offense — one additional day of internal suspension.
- 2nd offense — two additional days of internal suspension.
- 3rd offense — three additional days of internal suspension.

## DEFIANCE OF THE AUTHORITY OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS AND TEACHERS

- 1st offense — three days internal suspension.
- 2nd offense — five days internal suspension.
- 3rd offense — five days external suspension.

## REFUSAL TO IDENTIFY ONESELF TO A STAFF MEMBER

- 1st offense — one day internal suspension.
- 2nd offense — two days internal suspension.
- 3rd offense — three days internal suspension.

## FAILURE TO SIGN IN UPON ARRIVAL TO SCHOOL

- 1st offense — one day internal suspension.
- 2nd offense — two days internal suspension.
- 3rd offense — three days internal suspension.

## FORGERY/MISUSE OF A PASS

- 1st offense — one day internal suspension.
- 2nd offense — two days internal suspension.
- 3rd offense — three days internal suspension.

## OUT OF BOUNDS/LEAVING SCHOOL GROUNDS

The following areas are considered out of bounds:

- \* Beyond the sidewalks of the circle in front of building.
- \* Public library grounds.
- \* Wooded areas surrounding the school.
- \* The maintenance area.
- \* Outside the science wing.
- \* The athletic fields.
- \* Any off-campus sites during the school day.
- \* Physical education locker rooms during class time (without permission).
- \* Parking lot. (If you must go to the parking lot for any reason during the day, you must have a pass from the office. Loitering in this area will result in disciplinary action.)

- 1st offense — one day internal suspension.
- 2nd offense — three days internal suspension.

- 3rd offense — five days internal suspension.

If a car is involved, the car privilege will be denied for nine weeks.

## NATURE OF OFFENSE & REPEATED OFFENSES

The above outlined levels of discipline for specified offenses are provided as minimum guidelines to insure that every student is aware of the potential consequences of actions which violate the discipline policies of the Agawam Public Schools. In determining the level of discipline in each case, the Principal shall review the nature and the facts and circumstances surrounding the alleged offense and the student's prior disciplinary record. After completing said review, the Principal may in his/her sole discretion impose the minimum level of discipline provided for in these discipline policies, or he/she may impose greater discipline including but not limited to more detentions, a longer suspension, the imposition a discipline contract and/or expulsion from the school or school district.

## SUSPENSION EFFECTS

A conference with the student, a parent or guardian, and an administrator may be arranged at the time of any suspension. During the period of school suspension, a student may not take part in any extra-curricular activities or school functions nor be in the building or on the grounds during the school day. Students must arrange to make up all work missed during the suspension period. A senior, depending on circumstances, may also be suspended from participation in senior activities including graduation exercises.

## STUDENT MOTOR VEHICLE REGULATIONS

The following regulations are designed to promote safety and order in the high school driveways and parking lots. Failure to comply with these regulations and conditions may result in the revocation of driving privileges on school property.

1. The maximum speed limit on all school property is 15 m.p.h. Students must drive on school property using caution and consideration for vehicles and pedestrians. Reckless or careless driving will be reported to the Police Department and Registry of Motor Vehicles.

2. Student cars must be parked in single spaces. Cars parked in illegal areas will be subject to towing on the first offense. Towing is at the student's expense.

3. During school hours, students are not to park in the area of the shops and music rooms and the Town Library.

4. Bringing a motor vehicle to and from school is a privilege.

5. Only Juniors and Seniors who are passing 20 credits and have no suspensions on their discipline record may drive motor vehicles to school.

6. Students granted permission must display the proper sticker at all times. (Driver Side - Top Left Rear Window.)

7. All students must park their vehicles in the Student Area of the parking lot at all times.

8. Once a car has been parked in the lot by a student, there shall be no loitering in the car by students.

9. Once a car is parked, the driver or any other pupil shall not be allowed to enter the car until the driver is ready to leave for home.

10. Students who do not obey the regulations regarding motor vehicles at school will have the privilege to drive to school revoked.

## VIOLATION OF STUDENT MOTOR VEHICLE REGULATIONS

1st offense — denial of the motor vehicle privilege for nine weeks.

2nd offense — denial of the motor vehicle privilege for the remainder of the school year; if a student who has been denied the motor vehicle privilege persists in attempting to bring their motor vehicle to school or the public library, the motor vehicle will be subject to towing at the student's expense.

## DETENTION

Violation of general school policies will result in the assignment to office detention, held Monday through Thursday from 1:50 to 2:40 p.m. Bring enough work to keep you busy for the entire detention period. The teacher in charge of detention may withhold credit if the time is not properly used. You will not be admitted into detention after the bell. If you need to be excused from attending detention on a particular afternoon, you must get permission from an administrator before the detention is to be served.

CONSEQUENCES: Examples of infractions that could result in from one to five detentions are as follows:

- \* Classroom misbehavior.
- \* Taking food from the cafeteria.
- \* Inappropriate display of affection.
- \* Littering.
- \* Card playing.
- \* Failure to report to teacher detention.
- \* Swearing.
- \* Overdue library books.



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- \* Insubordination.
- \* Interference with the enforcement of school rules.
- \* Cafeteria misbehavior.
- \* Skipping a scheduled period.
- \* Disobedience.
- \* Lack of corridor pass.
- \* Excessive tardiness.
- \* Misuse of equipment or materials.
- \* Parking lot violation.
- \* Loud behavior.
- \* Snowball throwing.

**ACADEMIC DISHONESTY**

Instances of academic dishonesty such as copying homework, cheating on papers and exams, or plagiarism will result in students receiving a zero grade on that school project.

**TEACHER DETENTION**

A teacher may request you to stay after school to discuss a behavior problem or to have you do academic work. As long as you have been given a 24 hour notice to report, you **must** attend the after-school conference. Failure to attend this conference will result in a referral to either the deputy principal or dean of students who will take disciplinary action.

If you have been asked to stay for a particular teacher on a given day when you also have office detention, you are expected to report to that teacher, stay the assigned time, and bring a note from that teacher to either the deputy principal or dean of students before you leave the school building. This procedure allows you to report to the office detention the following day without penalty.

**SCHOOL OBLIGATIONS COME FIRST, EVEN BEFORE YOUR JOB. IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM, SEE EITHER THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL OR THE DEAN OF STUDENTS.****CUTTING CLASS**

The definition of a cut is the missing of class time without permission or without a legitimate excuse acceptable to the teacher. Detention and work that is missed can only be made up at half value. Additional cutting will result in an increase in the number of detentions and/or suspensions.

**STUDENTS ON CONTRACT - DUE PROCESS**

Students with chronic discipline problems may be placed on contract by the deputy principal, dean of students and the principal. The ramifications of the contract will be explained to the student in the company of his/her parent or guardian. The student will be provided with a copy of the signed contract. Any student alleged to have violated his/her contract may be scheduled for a hearing with the principal. The deputy principal, dean of students, counselor and parent/guardian may also attend. The student has the right to bring evidence and witnesses.

The student may appeal the principal's ruling to the superintendent of schools who will finalize the decision.

**EXPULSION - DUE PROCESS**

A student must be notified in writing of the opportunity for a hearing. At this hearing the student may have legal representation, and may bring evidence and witnesses.

The principal determines whether to expel. However, an expelled student does have the right to appeal to the superintendent within 10 days of the date of the expulsion. The student may have legal representation at this appeal.

When an expelled student applies to another school, the superintendent will notify the receiving superintendent of the reasons for the student's expulsion.

**DISCIPLINING STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS**

All students are expected to meet the requirements for behavior as set forth in this handbook. Chapter 766 requires that additional provisions be made for students who have been found by an evaluation team to have special needs and whose program is described in an Individualized Educational Plan (I.E.P.). The following additional requirements apply to the discipline of special needs students:

1. The I.E.P. for every special needs student will indicate whether the student can be expected to meet the regular discipline code or if the student's handicapping condition requires a modification. Any modification will be described in the I.E.P.

2. The principal (or designee) will notify the Special Education Office of the suspendable offense of a special needs student and a record will be kept of such notices.

3. When it is known that the suspension(s) of a special needs student will accumulate to 10 days in a school year, a review of the I.E.P. as provided in Section 333 of the Chapter 766 Regulations will be held to determine the appropriateness of the student's placement or program. The team will make a finding as to the relationship between the student's misconduct and his/her handicapping condition and either:

- a. Design a modified program for the student;
- b. Write an amendment to provide for the delivery of needed modifications of the I.E.P. relative to discipline code expectations. In addition, the Department of Education will be notified as required by law, requesting approval of the alternative plan to be followed.

## Chap. 622: Prohibiting Discrimination Of Any Kind In The Public Schools

An important piece of legislation affecting the public schools was passed in August 1971. This law, Chapter 622 of the General Laws, Acts of 1971 is referred to as "*An Act to Prohibit Discrimination in the Public Schools*." The law reads:

*"No person shall be excluded from or discriminated against in admission to a public school of any town, or in obtaining the advantages, privileges, and courses of study of such public school because of race, color, sex, religion, or national origin."*

This law makes it clear that all aspects of public school education must be fully open and available to members of both sexes and of minority groups. No school may exclude a child from any course, activity, service or resource available in that public school because of race, color, sex,

religion, or national origin of such child.

On June 24th, 1975, the State Board of Education approved regulations for Chapter 622. These regulations address five areas of school policy: school admissions, admission to courses of study, guidance, content and extra-curricular, and athletic activities.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding Chapter 622 and how it affects your children, please do not hesitate to contact your local principal or the superintendent of school's office. Copies of the law and the regulations can be obtained from the Massachusetts Department of Education, Instruction and Curriculum Services, 350 Main Street, Malden, MA 02148-5023. Telephone (617) 338-3300 Ext. 285.

## Chapter 766: Behavior Requirements For Agawam's Special Needs Students

All students are expected to meet the requirements for behavior as set forth in this handbook. Chapter 71B of the Massachusetts General Laws, known as Chapter 766, requires that additional provisions be made for students who have been found by an evaluation TEAM to have special needs and whose program is described in an Individualized Educational Plan (IEP). The following additional requirements apply to the discipline of special needs students:

1. The IEP for every special needs student will indicate whether the student can be expected to meet the regular discipline code or if the student's handicapping condition requires a modification. Any modification will be described in the IEP.

2. The Principal (or designee) will notify the Special Education Office of the suspendable offense of a special needs student and a record will

be kept of such notices.

3. When it is known that the suspension(s) of a special needs student will accumulate to 10 days in a school year, a review of the IEP as provided in Section 333 of the Chapter 766 Regulations will be held to determine the appropriateness of the student's placement or program. The TEAM will make a finding as to the relationship between the student's misconduct and his/her handicapping condition and either:

- a) design a modified program for the student or
- b) write an amendment to provide for the delivery of special education services during the suspension and any needed modification of the IEP relative to discipline code expectations.

In addition, the Department of Education will be notified as required by law, and the procedures promulgated by the Department of Education for requesting approval of the alternative plan will be followed.

## Title IX: Sexual Discrimination In Federally-Assisted Programs

Title IX is the portion of the Education Amendments of 1972 which prohibits sex discrimination in federally-assisted education programs. Specifically, Title IX states:

The governing regulations, effective July 21st, 1975, cover all aspects of sex discrimination in schools with regard to admissions, treatment of students, and employment.

The Agawam school system does not discriminate on the basis of sex. Any inquiries you may have should be brought to the attention of: Mr. Donald J. Charest, Deputy Superintendent, 1305 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA, 01030, Phone 821-0550, or Mr. Thomas Habino, Director, Office for Civil Rights, JW McCormack POCH, Boston, MA, 02109, Phone (617) 223-9667.

**SECTION 504**

Section 504 of U.S. Rehabilitation Act of 1973 is referred to as an "Act for Elimination of Discrimination on the Basis of Handicap in any School District Program or Activity Receiving Financial Assistance."

Section 504 requires that no otherwise qualified handicapped individual, shall, solely by reason of his handicap, be excluded from the participation in, denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity in the public schools.

**GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES FOR STUDENTS**

Title IX and Handicap (Section 504)

## Information On Kindergarten

**ENTRANCE AGE:**

The State Board of Education requires that children be permitted to enter kindergarten in September of the calendar year in which they reach age five. It is the Agawam School Committee's policy to:

1. Admit a child to kindergarten if he/she is five years-old prior to October 1st of the school year in which he/she desires to enroll; and...
2. Admit a child to first grade if he/she is six years-old prior to October 1st of the school year in which he/she desires to enroll.

Students who attend a kindergarten program in a public school system outside Agawam or who attend a kindergarten program approved by the superintendent, may be allowed to enter first grade if Agawam school officials determine that it would be educationally appropriate.

Students 14 years of age or older, who feel their rights have been violated under Title IX or Handicap (Section 504), are to contact:

1. Associate Superintendent
2. Advisor for Office of Student Affairs at Agawam High School

If the grievance cannot be resolved by the Advisor for Office of Student Affairs, the following are to be contacted (in this order) to arrive at prompt and equitable resolutions of student's complaints charging violations of Title IX or Handicap (Section 504):

1. Guidance Counselor (in their building)
2. Assistant Principal (in their building)
3. Principal (in their building)
4. Superintendent of Schools
5. School Committee

Students under 14 years of age may have their parent(s) grieve on their behalf in writing to their building principal. If the grievance cannot be resolved by the building principal, the following are to be contacted (in this order) to arrive at prompt and equitable resolutions of student's complaints charging violations of Title IX or Handicap (Section 504):

1. Superintendent of Schools
2. School Committee

The Title IX coordinator will be available to assist all grievance committees in arriving at prompt and equitable resolutions of student complaints charging violation of Title IX or of Section 504.





# School Lunch Program

The Agawam Public Schools serve meals each school day. Children may buy lunch at the Elementary level for \$1.10; Middle, \$1.20; Junior High and Senior High, \$1.35; or just milk at 30¢ a carton. Children also may get meals free or at a reduced price. All meals served must meet patterns established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. However, if a child has been determined by a doctor to be handicapped and the handicap would prevent the child from eating the regular school meal, this school will make any substitutions prescribed by the doctor. If a substitution is needed, there will be no extra charge for the meal. If you believe your child needs substitutions because of a handicap, please get in touch with us for further information.

To get free or reduced price meals for your child, you must complete an application and return it to the school. We cannot approve an application that is not complete.

If you now get Food Stamps or AFDC for your child, your child can get free meals. If your child has received a Meal Benefit Certificate from the Department of Transitional Assistance, you do not have to complete this application. Just sign the certificate and return it to your child's school. Your child will receive a free lunch.

If your total household income is the same or less than the amounts on the Income Chart below, your child can get free meals or reduced price meals. A foster child may get free or reduced price meals regardless of your income. The reduced price is 40¢ for lunch.

## HOW TO APPLY

If you now get Food Stamps or AFDC for the child you are applying for, the application must have the child's name, a Food Stamp or AFDC case number, and the signature of an adult household member. If you are applying for a foster child, the application must have the child's name, the child's "personal use" income, and an adult signature. If you do not list a Food Stamp or AFDC case number for the child you are applying for, then the application must have the child's name, the names of all other household members, the amount of income each person got last month and where it came from, the signature of an adult household member and that adult's Social Security number or the word "none" if the adult does not have a Social Security number.

## INCOME CHART

| Household Size | ANNUAL | MONTHLY | WEEKLY |
|----------------|--------|---------|--------|
| 1              | 14,893 | 1,242   | 287    |
| 2              | 20,073 | 1,673   | 387    |
| 3              | 25,253 | 2,105   | 486    |
| 4              | 30,433 | 2,537   | 586    |
| 5              | 35,613 | 2,968   | 685    |
| 6              | 40,793 | 3,400   | 785    |
| 7              | 45,973 | 3,832   | 885    |
| 8              | 51,153 | 4,263   | 984    |

For each additional member add... plus 5,180 plus 432 plus 100

**VERIFICATION:** Your eligibility may be checked at any time during the school year. School officials may ask you to send papers showing that your child should get free or reduced price meals.

**FAIR HEARING:** You may talk to school officials if you do not agree with the school's decision on your application or the results of verification. You also may ask for a fair hearing. You may do this by calling or writing: Donald J. Charest, Deputy Superintendent, 1305 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA, 01030, (413) 821-0550.

**REPORTING CHANGES:** If your child gets free or reduced price meals because of your income, you must tell the school if your household size decreases or your income increases by more than \$50 per month or \$600 per year. If your child gets meals because they get Food Stamps or AFDC, you must tell the school when you are not getting AFDC or Food Stamps for them. You may then fill out another application giving income information.

**CONFIDENTIALITY:** School officials use the information on the application only to decide if your child should get free or reduced-price meals.

**REAPPLICATION:** You may apply for free or reduced-price meals any time during the school year. If you are not eligible now but have a change, like a decrease in household income, an increase in household size, become unemployed or get Food Stamps or AFDC for your child, complete an application at that time.

In the operation of the Child Feeding Programs, no child will be discriminated against because of race, sex, color, national origin, age, or handicap. If you believe you have been discriminated against, write immediately to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

We will let you know when your application is approved or denied.

## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply for free and reduced price meals, complete the application using the instructions for your household. Sign the application and return the application to the school. Call the school if you need help, 821-0550.

## PART 1 - STUDENT INFORMATION: All Households Must Complete This Part.

(1) Print the name of the child you are applying for.

(2) List the child's grade and school.

## PART 2 - HOUSEHOLDS GETTING FOOD STAMPS OR AFDC: Complete This Part and Part 5

(1) List a current Food Stamp or AFDC case number for the child.

(2) Sign the application in Part 5. An adult household member must sign. Skip Part 4 - DO NOT list names of household members or income if you list a Food Stamp or AFDC case number.

## PART 3 - HOUSEHOLDS WITH A FOSTER CHILD: Complete This Part and Part 5 - A foster child is the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court.

(1) List the foster child's monthly "personal use" income. Write "0" if the foster child does not get "personal use" income. Skip Part 4 - DO NOT

list any other children, household members or income.

(2) A foster parent or other official representing the child must sign the application in Part 5.

**"Personal use" income** is (a) money given by the welfare office identified by category for the child's personal use, such as for clothing, school fees, and allowances; and (b) all other money the child gets, such as money from his/her family and money from the child's full-time or regular part-time jobs.

## PART 4 - ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS: Complete This Part and Part 5

(1) Write the names of everyone in your household, whether they get income or not. Include yourself, the child you are applying for, all other children, your spouse, grandparents, and other related and unrelated people in your household. Use another piece of paper if you need more space.

(2) Write the amount of income each household member got last month, before taxes or anything else is taken out, and where it came from, such as earnings, welfare, pensions, and other income. If any amount last month was more or less than usual, write that person's usual monthly income.

(3) An adult household member must sign the application and give his/her Social Security number in Part 5.

To Figure Monthly Income: Weekly x 4.33; Every 2 Weeks x 2.15; Twice a Month x 2.

## PART 5 - SIGNATURE AND SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: All Households Complete This Part

(1) All applications must have the signature of an adult household member.

(2) The application must have the Social Security number of the adult who signs. If the adult does not have a Social Security number, write "none" or something else to show that the adult does not have a Social Security number. If you listed a Food Stamp or AFDC number for your child or if you are applying for a foster child, a Social Security number is not needed.

**PART 6 - RACIAL/ETHNIC IDENTITY:** Complete the racial/ethnic identity question if you wish. You are not required to answer this question to get free or reduced price meals. We need this information to make sure that everyone is treated fairly.

## INCOME TO REPORT

**Earnings From Work:** Wages/salaries/tips, strike benefits, unemployment compensation, worker's compensation, net income from self-owned business or farm.

**Welfare/Child Support/Alimony:** Public assistance payments, welfare payments, alimony/child support payments.

**Pensions/Retirement/Social Security:** Pensions, supplemental security income, retirement income, veteran's payments, Social Security.

**Other Income:** Disability benefits, cash withdrawn from savings, interest/dividends, income from estates/trusts/investments, regular contributions from persons not living in the household, net royalties/annuities/net rental income, any other income.

## Music Programs In Agawam Schools

The Agawam Schools offer a comprehensive program in music, and opportunities abound in both curricular courses and extra-curricular activities.

All students in elementary school receive music on a weekly basis as a regular classroom subject taught by a music specialist. The opportunity for chorus experience is available at the fourth grade level. String instrument instruction will be held after school this year.

At the middle school, classroom music continues to be offered to all students on a regularly-scheduled basis. Instruction of band instruments is started in fifth grade, with weekly lessons on a rotation schedule so that students do not continually miss the same class for instrument lessons. Full band rehearsals are also held for fifth grade members during school time on a weekly basis. Chorus and string ensemble also meet twice each week during school time. Sixth grade students in band, chorus, and string ensemble meet twice a week on a scheduled band period. In addition, band members also have a sectional practice for like instruments on a rotating period each week.

At the junior high, chorus and band continue on a twice a week scheduled period. Students not taking a performing group continue in classroom music instruction, and some type of music is required in both seventh and eighth grades.

Expanded opportunities are offered in chorus shows and jazz band at this level, and music groups may take part in some regional music festivals.

## School Cancellation / Delayed Opening

In case of inclement weather, closing of school or delayed opening, notifications will be given over WHYN, WMAS, WAQY, WNNZ, WPKX, WWLP, and WGGB. Please, DO NOT CALL THE SCHOOLS OR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES.

If there is school during bad weather, the FINAL

## Free Lunch For First Grade Pupils On September 2nd

On Wednesday, September 2nd, all first grade students will be offered a free lunch.

"We would like our first grade students to meet our cafeteria staff and become familiar with our cafeterias," said Mr. Frank S. Godek, School Lunch Director.

The price of lunch will remain the same as last year: Elementary Schools, \$1.10 daily; Middle School, \$1.20 daily; and the Junior and Senior High Schools, \$1.35. A la carte milk is available at 30¢ per carton.

In the elementary schools, lunch tickets are sold on Monday for the week in the classrooms. If a student is absent, he/she may purchase tickets in the cafeteria on Tuesday. If a parent wishes to pay by check, please make the check payable to the AGAWAM SCHOOL LUNCH.

— Welcome back! —

## High School Gym Lockers

Combination padlocks will be available for sale in the main office of the high school for \$5 each. Locks will be available for purchase beginning on Wednesday, September 2nd.

Students who wish to secure their gym/athletic lockers are asked to purchase a lock early. Non-school locks will not be allowed. The purchased lock becomes the student's property and can be used throughout his/her high school career.

## The Athletic Dept.

Participation by a large number of students is what keeps Agawam athletics successful and competitive.

Athletic Director Kathleen McSweeney encourages girls and boys to participate in our interscholastic programs. As girls' programs have been traditionally under-represented in terms of numbers, she reminds any ninth- through 12th-grade girls that we welcome and encourage them to go out for any of the high school teams.





# Agawam Public Schools

## Agawam High School

760 Cooper Street  
Agawam, MA 01001



**Joseph S. Zabielski**  
Principal - Agawam High School  
821-0521



**Paul Cavallo**  
Deputy Principal - Agawam High School  
821-0522



**Bernadette Conte**  
Dean of Students - Agawam High School  
821-0523

## Agawam Junior High School

1305 Springfield Street  
Feeding Hills, MA 01030

## James Clark School

65 Oxford Street  
Agawam, MA 01001

## Clifford M. Granger School

31 South Westfield Street  
Feeding Hills, MA 01030



**Kevin C. Littlefield**  
Principal - Agawam Jr. High School  
821-0561



**Sandra M. Howard**  
Principal - James Clark School  
821-0576



**Phyllis M. Lewis**  
Principal - Clifford M. Granger School  
821-0581

## Agawam Middle School

100 Main Street  
Agawam, MA 01001

## Benjamin J. Phelps School

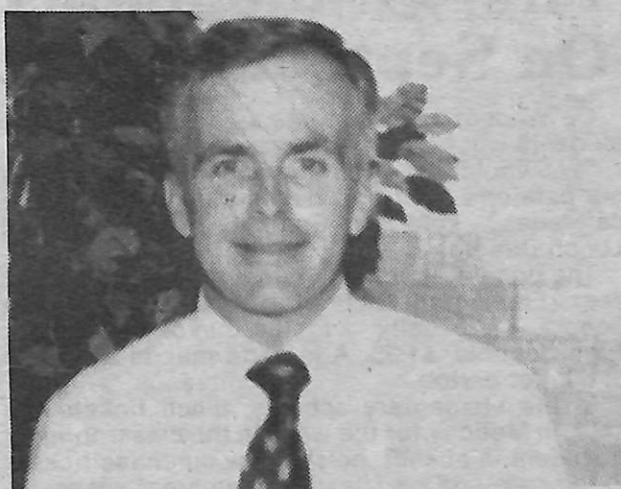
689 Main Street  
Agawam, MA 01001

## Robinson Park School

65 Begley Street  
Agawam, MA 01001



**Ralph A. Zavarella**  
Principal - Agawam Middle School  
789-1400, Ext. 448



**Robert M. Farrell**  
Principal - Benjamin J. Phelps School  
821-0587



**William P. Sapelli**  
Principal - Robinson Park School  
821-0584





SUPERINTENDENT FRANK A. AMERUSO

## Message From The Superintendent Of Schools

In less than one week, all the students of Agawam Public Schools will begin a new school year.

For some, it will be the beginning of a great adventure — for that is what kindergarten is.

For others, it will be the last year of a 13-year process which will launch them into adulthood.

For the vast majority, however, it will be the second-to-last year of this millennium filled with the hope and expectations that all young people have.

Many students will say the summer was too short; many parents will say the summer was too long. For our part, we say, "Welcome back!"

Our school district is a working community of children, parents, and educators whose primary responsibility is to provide the best education possible. Your children are placed in our care and trust, and we accept the responsibility to develop them intellectually, emotionally, and psychologically.

We consider that trust sacred, and we pledge to you to live up to the expectations you have and we share in providing your children with excellence in professionalism, which is now the hallmark of the Agawam Public School system.

I know that many of you are concerned about the readiness of our school buildings, particularly the elementary schools. The general contractor and the director of maintenance have assured me that all the areas critical to student instruction will be ready to use on the opening day of school.

Please understand that the entire project is not yet complete, but the remaining work should not interfere with the instructional process. We will have to have some patience and adjusting to the first week or two of school to allow teachers the time to set up since they did not have access to the buildings ahead of time as they usually would have, but we are confident that with everyone's cooperation we will have a smooth school opening and, more importantly, that the facilities we will occupy will be well worth the effort we need to expend.

The buildings are beautiful, highly functional, and state-of-the-art. We will be informing you of the schedule of open houses and celebrations that will be held late in the fall.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you in advance for cooperating with us in fulfilling the community expectation of a premiere school district. I plan on meeting with parents more frequently this year, and I look forward to achieving our shared mission of making Agawam Public Schools the best schools they can be.

You have my pledge to work tirelessly to achieve that end.

Yours in education,  
Frank A. Ameruso, Ph.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

## Day Care & Babysitting Information



When choosing a day care or babysitter for your school-age child, please remember that your child must attend the public school in the district in which you live, not the district in which the day care or babysitter is located.

## Title VI (Formerly Ch. 2, Block Grant)

Under the provisions of the Education Consolidation and Improvement Act (ECIA), Title VI (Chapter 2), the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Education has notified the Agawam Public Schools that this federal allocation for 1998-99 is \$9,655.

The money for this school year will be used to purchase software and library books for the new elementary library media centers. The money will be allocated to each elementary school based on a per pupil amount as per the September 1998 enrollment for each school.

## Western Mass. Safe Kids Coalition Offers Back-To-School Safety Tips

Make sure you and your child receive an A-plus in back-to-school safety this year.

"Each back-to-school season, it's important for both parents and children to remember to review back-to-school safety," said Shirley LaRoche, R.N., coordinator of the Western Massachusetts Safe Kids Coalition headquartered at Baystate Medical Center Children's Hospital.

LaRoche noted that during the summer, many children forget the safety lessons they have learned from previous years.

"Parents need to take an active role by teaching children and reviewing their own safety measures," she added.

Each year, approximately 7,000 children ages 14 and under are killed, and another 50,000 are permanently disabled by unintentional injury.

The Western Massachusetts Safe Kids Coalition recommends doing your homework before your child goes back to school by reviewing the following important tips for back-to-school safety:

**Walking To School**

- Choose the safest route with the fewest street crossings and walk the route with your children to familiarize them with it.
- Make sure your child knows to look left, right, and left again before attempting to cross the street.
- Teach your children not to enter the street from behind parked cars or from behind bushes or shrubs, and to cross at the corner or crosswalk by walking, not running.
- Warn children to be alert in bad weather since visibility is poor.

**School Bus Safety**

- Many injuries occur when children are boarding or exiting a school bus because a blind spot extends approximately 10 feet in front of a bus,

obstructing the view of the driver. Children are not aware of the blind spot and may mistakenly believe if they can see the bus, the bus can see them," LaRoche said.

She noted that while waiting for the bus, children should:

- Stay out of the street and avoid fooling around.
- Cross at least 10 feet in front of the bus when boarding or exiting to avoid a blind spot that obstructs the view of the driver.
- Wait for parents on the same side of the street as the school bus loading/unloading zone.

While on the bus, children should:

- Remain seated, refrain from throwing objects, and keep their head and arms inside the bus at all times.
- Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before exiting.
- Exit from the front of the bus using the handrails to avoid falls.

**Driving Your Child To School**

- Arrange to pick up your child at a safe spot away from the congestion of cars around the school.
- Drop off children as close to the school as possible so that they do not have to cross the street, and make sure they enter and leave the car on the curb side.
- Make sure you use child safety seats and/or safety belts correctly every time you ride.

Also, for children who are riding their bicycles to school, in accordance with the law, they should wear a helmet every time they ride. Children should not ride on the road without adult supervision until about the age of 10. And they should follow the rules of the road, LaRoche said.

For more information on Safe Kids or back-to-school safety, call LaRoche at 794-5434.

From Baystate Medical Center...

## Dealing With Separation Anxiety For Kindergartners On First Day Of School

Are you afraid that your child's first day of school will result in a hysterical outburst that you will not be able to control? You are not alone. This scene is repeated all across the country as kindergartners enter school for the very first time.

According to Susan Cary, M.D., a child psychiatrist at Baystate Medical Center, "crying scenes" are a major cause of back-to-school stress for parents and young students alike.

"Often times, parents become distressed because their children are leaving home alone for the first time to begin a new life at school. The children sense their parents' apprehension, and become distressed themselves," she said.

Dr. Cary also noted that children will resist going to school if they are nervous or unsure about what they will be doing there, or if they perceive that parents might let them stay home.

The following tips can help lessen the anxiety that parents and their children typically feel as the first day of school quickly approaches:

- Visit the school with your child before the big first day arrives.
- Visit your child's classroom or even just the school building if you can't get into the

## Title 1 (Formerly Known As Chapter 1)

The school department has applied for this federal allocation grant to increase the educational opportunities of students with certain basic skill deficiencies. The amount of the grant for 1998-1999 is \$135,991.

This project, known as Title 1, provides extra reading and math instruction to those students who need the extra help in order to keep up with their classes. In order to qualify for funds, the individual schools, as well as the school district, must have a minimum percentage of educational-

## Notice To Drop Outs And Non-School Attendees

Any school drop out, age 16-22 years-old, is encouraged to contact the Department of Special Services for a confidential interview to discuss educational options.

Academic tutoring is available to eligible youth unable to attend school due to medical problems, accidents, and other circumstances.

For more information regarding the appropriate educational options, please contact the Department of Special Services, 821-0557.

classroom.

- Talk to your child's teacher on the first day of school and introduce your child to the teacher.

- Have your child talk to students in your neighborhood who already attend the school.

- Have an older sibling who already attends the school talk to your child about what to expect.

- Tell your child what time he or she will be home by. This is most effective if you choose a certain time that the young child can understand, such as, "You will be home by lunchtime."

Schoolteachers and psychologists can be helpful in keeping "anxious" first-time schoolgoers calm in the classroom, as it can be more of a problem if children are allowed to stay home, Dr. Cary noted. If a crisis occurs, a pediatrician or therapist can intervene to assist children in working through their issues.

"Having separation anxiety or feeling nervous is a normal developmental stage that children go through. Showing children their school and answering all of their questions before the school year begins will help to ease their anxiety and makes back-to-school time more enjoyable for both parent and child," Dr. Cary said.

ly deprived students-with educational needs.

A Parent Advisory Council (P.A.C.) meets monthly and is involved in all stages of planning, operating, and evaluating the program. Because of its close work with the schools, the council links the home and school enhancing opportunities for these students.

Approximately 175 students in grades 1-4 will receive extra assistance in math and reading this year because of this grant.



# Agawam High School's Fall 1998 Athletic Schedule

## 1998 FALL CROSS COUNTRY

**Time: 3:45 p.m.**

**Coach: TBA**

- \* September 14th: Away - West Springfield/Westfield (in West Springfield).
- \* September 17th: Away - Ludlow.
- \* September 25th: Home - Belchertown.
- \* October 2nd: Home - West Springfield.
- \* October 8th: Away - Palmer.
- \* October 20th: Away - Longmeadow/Sabis (at Turner Park in Longmeadow).
- \* October 23rd: Away - Belchertown/Athol (in Belchertown).
- \* October 27th: Home - Southwick.
- \* October 31st: Away - PVIAC at Southwick.
- \* November 7th: Away - WMASS at Northfield Mt.
- \* November 14th: Away - STATES.



## 1998 BOYS' SOCCER ROSTER

**Time: 3:30 p.m.**

**Varsity Coach: Dwight Northrup**

**JV Coach: Glenn Olson**

- \* September 10th: Away - Amherst.
- \* September 14th: Home - Cathedral.
- \* September 16th: Away - Taconic (4:00 p.m.).
- \* September 17th: Home - Chicopee.
- \* September 22nd: Away - Ludlow (5:30/7:00 p.m.).
- \* September 24th: Home - Chicopee Comp.
- \* September 28th: Home - Pioneer Valley Reg. (5:45/7:15 p.m.).
- \* September 29th: Away - Central (5:30/7:00 p.m.).
- \* October 2nd: Away - Holyoke.
- \* October 5th: Home - Longmeadow (6:30 p.m.).
- \* October 5th: Away - Longmeadow (JV).
- \* October 8th: Home - Minnechaug (5:00/6:00 p.m.).
- \* October 13th: Away - West Springfield (5:30/7:00 p.m.).

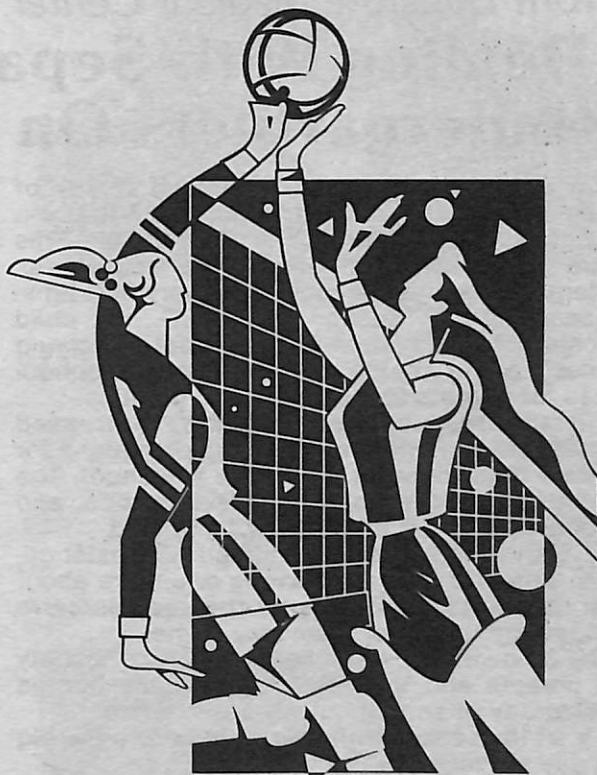
- \* October 15th: Away - Westfield (7:00 p.m. - Bullins).
- \* October 15th: Home - Westfield (JV - 3:30 p.m.).
- \* October 19th: Away - Cathedral (V - Cath./JV - Nathan Bill).
- \* October 22nd: Home - Ludlow (5:00/6:30 p.m.).
- \* October 27th: Home - Central (5:00/6:30 p.m.).
- \* October 30th: Away - Longmeadow.
- \* November 2nd: Home - West Springfield (5:00/6:30 p.m.).

## 1998 FRESHMAN BOYS' SOCCER

**Time: 3:30 p.m.**

**Coach: Jeff Rousseau**

- \* September 8th: Away - Holyoke (Springdale Park).
- \* September 10th: Home - Amherst (4:00 p.m.).
- \* September 14th: Away - Cathedral (Nathan Bill).
- \* September 22nd: Home - Ludlow.
- \* September 29th: Home - Central (4:45 p.m.).
- \* October 2nd: Home - Holyoke.
- \* October 5th: Away - Longmeadow.
- \* October 8th: Away - Minnechaug.
- \* October 13th: Home - West Springfield.
- \* October 15th: Home - Westfield.
- \* October 19th: Home - Cathedral.
- \* October 22nd: Away - Ludlow (Baird Middle).
- \* October 27th: Away - Central (3:00 p.m.).
- \* October 30th: Home - Longmeadow (3:00 p.m.).
- \* November 2nd: Away - West Springfield (3:00 p.m.).



## 1998 FALL VOLLEYBALL

**Time: 3:30 p.m.**

**Coach: TBA**

- \* September 11th: Home - Pioneer Valley.
- \* September 14th: Away - Belchertown.
- \* September 22nd: Home - Longmeadow (3:00 p.m.).
- \* September 25th: Home - East Longmeadow (3:00 p.m.).
- \* September 28th: Home - Westfield.

- \* September 30th: Home - Ludlow.
- \* October 7th: Home - Belchertown (4:00 p.m.).
- \* October 9th: Away - Longmeadow.
- \* October 13th: Away - Westfield.
- \* October 15th: Away - Dean Voc.
- \* October 16th: Home - Minnechaug.
- \* October 19th: Away - Ludlow.
- \* October 21st: Away - East Longmeadow.
- \* October 27th: Home - Holyoke.
- \* October 28th: Home - West Springfield.



## 1998 FALL GYMNASTICS

**Time: 6:00 p.m.**

**Coach: Angela Sullivan**

- \* September 22nd: Home - Hampshire/Chicopee Comp. (6:30 p.m.).
- \* September 24th: Away - South Hadley.
- \* October 1st: Away - Wahconah/Pittsfield (at Wahconah).
- \* October 7th: Home - Minnechaug/Amherst (7:00 p.m.).
- \* October 15th: Away - Gateway/Westfield.
- \* October 20th: Away - Hampshire/Chicopee Comp (at Hampshire).
- \* October 22nd: Home - South Hadley.
- \* October 29th: Away - Pittsfield/Wahconah (at Pittsfield).
- \* November 4th: Away - Minnechaug/Amherst (at Minnechaug).
- \* November 10th: Away - Westfield/Gateway (at Westfield).
- \* November 20th-21st: MIAA West Sectional.

## 1998 FALL VARSITY FIELD HOCKEY

**Time: 3:15 p.m.**

**Varsity: Carla Lemnah-Warner**

**JV: Beth Schroeder**

- \* September 4th: Away - Southwick (Scrimmage - 3:30 p.m.).
- \* September 14th: Away - Mohawk.
- \* September 16th: Home - Mahar.
- \* September 18th: Away - Longmeadow.
- \* September 22nd: Home - Southwick.
- \* September 24th: Home - Minnechaug.

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- \* September 25th: Away - Palmer.
- \* September 29th: Home - South Hadley.
- \* September 30th: Away - East Longmeadow (5:30/7:00 p.m.).
- \* October 2nd: Home - West Springfield (5:00/6:30 p.m.).
- \* October 7th: Away - Westfield (3:00 p.m.).
- \* October 9th: Home - Longmeadow.
- \* October 14th: Away - Southwick.
- \* October 16th: Away - Minnechaug.
- \* October 20th: Home - East Longmeadow (5:00/6:30 p.m.).
- \* October 22nd: Away - West Springfield (5:00/6:30 p.m.).
- \* October 26th: Home - Westfield (3:00 p.m.).

**1998 FALL GIRLS' SOCCER****Time: 3:30 p.m.****Varsity Coach: Mary Murray****JV Coach: Lynda Kunasek**

- \* September 9th: Away - St. Mary's (7:00 p.m. - Berkshire).
- \* September 10th: Home - Ludlow (5:30/7:00 p.m.).
- \* September 15th: Away - Amherst.
- \* September 16th: Home - Wahconah (5:00/6:30 p.m.).
- \* September 18th: Home - Chicopee.
- \* September 21st: Away - West Springfield (5:30/7:00 p.m.).
- \* September 23rd: Away - Minnechaug (JV - 5:30 p.m./V - 7:00 p.m.).
- \* September 25th: Home - Westfield.
- \* September 28th: Home - Longmeadow (3:15 p.m.).
- \* October 6th: Away - Central (5:30/7:00 p.m.).
- \* October 9th: Away - East Longmeadow (5:30/7:00 p.m.).
- \* October 14th: Home - Cathedral (5:00/6:30 p.m.).
- \* October 16th: Away - Holyoke.
- \* October 19th: Home - Palmer.
- \* October 20th: Away - Chicopee Comp. (JV - Ash Field).
- \* October 23rd: Away - Westfield.
- \* October 26th: Home - Minnechaug (5:00/6:30 p.m.).
- \* October 29th: Home - East Longmeadow (5:00/6:30 p.m.).

**1998 FALL FRESHMAN GIRLS' SOCCER****Time: 3:30 p.m.****Coach: Mike Dobise**

- \* September 10th: Away - Ludlow (Baird Middle).
- \* September 15th: Home - Amherst (4:00 p.m.).
- \* September 18th: Away - Sci Tech JV (4:45 p.m. - Forest Park).
- \* September 21st: Home - West Springfield.
- \* September 23rd: Home - Minnechaug.
- \* September 25th: Away - Westfield.
- \* September 28th: Away - Longmeadow.
- \* October 6th: Home - Central (4:45 p.m.).
- \* October 9th: Home - East Longmeadow).
- \* October 14th: Away - Cathedral (Nathan Bill).
- \* October 16th: Home - Holyoke.
- \* October 20th: Home - Chicopee Comp.
- \* October 23rd: Home - Westfield.

- \* October 26th: Away - Minnechaug (3:00 p.m.).
- \* October 29th: Away - East Longmeadow.

**1998 FALL GOLF****Time: 3:00 p.m.****Coach: Paul Bachini**

- \* September 8th: Home - South Hadley.
- \* September 9th: Away - Sci Tech (Vet's).
- \* September 10th: Home - Chicopee.
- \* September 14th: Home - Chicopee Comp.
- \* September 15th: Away - East Longmeadow (Elmcrest).
- \* September 16th: Away - West Springfield.
- \* September 22nd: Home - Ludlow.
- \* September 23rd: Away - Minnechaug.
- \* September 25th: Home - Longmeadow.
- \* September 29th: Away - South Hadley.
- \* September 30th: Home - Sci Tech.
- \* October 1st: Home - Amherst.
- \* October 6th: Home - East Longmeadow.
- \* October 8th: Away - Longmeadow.
- \* October 13th: Away - Ludlow (Westover).
- \* October 15th: Away - Amherst.
- \* October 16th: Away - Holyoke (East Mt.).
- \* October 19th: Home - Minnechaug.
- \* October 20th: Away - Northampton.
- \* October 21st: Home - Westfield.

**1998 FALL FRESHMAN FIELD HOCKEY****Time: 3:30 p.m.****Coach: TBA**

- \* September 14th: Home - Smith Academy.
- \* September 30th: Home - East Longmeadow.
- \* October 5th: Home - JFK Middle/Enfield.
- \* October 14th: Away - JFK Middle/Enfield.
- \* October 16th: Away - Smith Academy.
- \* October 20th: Away - East Longmeadow.

**1998 FALL FRESHMAN FOOTBALL****Time: 3:30 p.m.****Head Coach: Kirk Parker****Asst. Coach: TBA****(All games at Phelps School)**

- \* September 18th: Home - Holyoke.
- \* September 25th: Away - Longmeadow.

- \* October 2nd: Home - Chicopee Comp.
- \* October 9th: Away - Minnechaug.
- \* October 16th: Home - Holyoke.
- \* October 23rd: Away - South Hadley (4:00 p.m.).
- \* October 30th: Away - Westfield.
- \* November 6th: Away - Central (3:00 p.m.).
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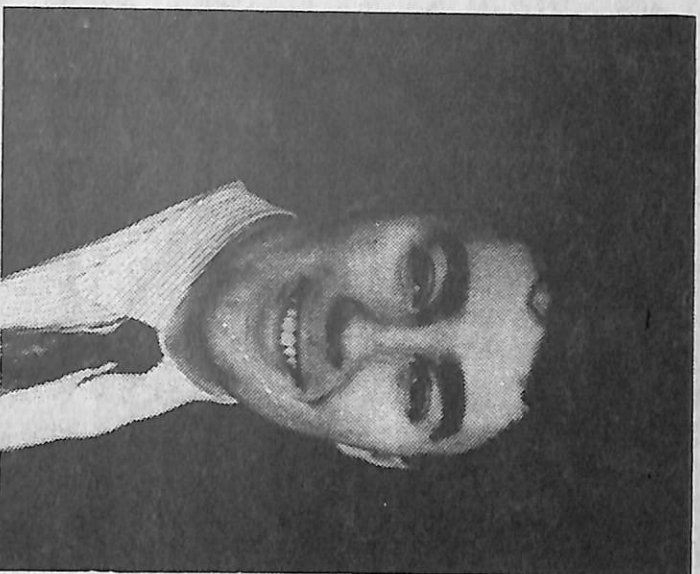
**1998 FALL JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL****Time: 3:30 p.m.****Head Coach: Dean Vecchiarelli****Asst. Coaches: Curtis Boyle, Bill Moore, and Dan Pryce**

- \* September 21st: Away - Greenfield.
- \* September 28th: Home - Longmeadow (Phelps).
- \* October 5th: Away - Chicopee Comp.
- \* October 12th: Home - Minnechaug (11:00 a.m. - H.S.).
- \* October 19th: Away - Holyoke.
- \* October 26th: Home - South Hadley (3:30 - Phelps).
- \* November 2nd: Home - Westfield (3:00 p.m. - Phelps).
- \* November 9th: Home - Central (3:00 p.m. - H.S.).
- \* November 16th: Home - Cathedral (3:00 p.m. - H.S.).

**1998 FALL VARSITY FOOTBALL****Time: 7:00 p.m.****Head Coach: Dean Vecchiarelli****Asst. Coaches: Curtis Boyle, Bill Moore, and Dan Pryce**

- \* September 12th: Away - Hoosic Valley (TBS - Scrimmage).
- \* September 18th: Away - Greenfield.
- \* September 25th: Home - Longmeadow.
- \* October 2nd: Away - Chicopee Comp.
- \* October 10th: Home - Minnechaug (2:00 p.m.).
- \* October 16th: Away - Holyoke.
- \* October 23rd: Home - South Hadley.
- \* October 30th: Home - Westfield.
- \* November 6th: Home - Central.
- \* November 13th: Home - Cathedral.
- \* November 26th: Away - West Springfield (10:00 a.m.).





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